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Goodness!—No
Guinness

Dublin, Mar. 28.
Guinness Brewery officials announced to-night that they would close down in four weeks unless coal supplies were replenished before then.

The closure of Guinness will dislocate the liquor trade, not only in Eire but in Northern Ireland, England and Scotland, brewing circles said.—United Press.

Hungry
Germans
Demonstrate

Duesseldorf, Mar. 28.
British military cars were overturned and stones were hurled at an Army staff car, carrying British press correspondents here today during the biggest hunger demonstrations in the Ruhr since the end of the war.

More than 100,000 men, women and children were assembled in a park in the centre of the city, bearing placards, reading: "No food; No work" and "Don't let our babies starve."

A one-day general strike, ordered by local trades unions brought transport services to a standstill and closed down factories.

Since early morning, long processions of workers, housewives and children had been marching through the city's streets and by 11.00 a.m., the demonstration was still gathering strength.

IN UGLY MOOD

The mood of the crowd was higher than during any other demonstration held in the Ruhr this week, against the general food crisis. The few British uniformed personnel on the streets were met with boos and jeers. Lorries were parked near the entrance to the park to prevent British cars getting through.

Horses and carts, bearing such slogans as "No food; no work" and "We are hungry" took part in the

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TO-DAY'S GRAND NATIONAL

PRINCE RUPERT FAVOURITE IN FINAL CALL-OVER

Aintree, Mar. 29.
A welcome sun sapped the moisture from a soaked Aintree race course on Friday, promising medium-fast going for 58 entries in the 101st running of the Grand National steeplechase.

Wish Me Luck, a long shot entry was killed on Friday, breaking his back in a tumble after making one of the Aintree's course's tough jumps in the Liverpool Fox-hunter's Steeplechase.

That cut the field to 57 and undecorated again the ruggedness of the gruelling course, which has cost the lives of four horses already in two days of jumping races.

Lucky Time—not entered in the National—was also killed on Friday at Beecher's brook, the most famous of the obstacles, and two other jumpers were killed.

The Clerk of the Course said there were no more official scratchings up till 6 p.m. G. M. T. although a few flat day withdrawals were expected; however, a field second only to the 60 who started in 1929 was promised.

CLOSELY GUARDED

But though the race was wide open, the favourite, Prince Regent, was getting much attention.

Inspector Walter Jolly of the Lancashire county Police said that the Prince was moved to a new stall every few hours to frustrate "funny business" like the poisoning of the favourite—Zoedone, in 1885.

Breckett, a one-time second favourite, who nosedived to a place among the outsiders in the betting after sustaining an injury on Monday, to decide if he was fit to tackle the 20 jumps in the 4½-mile obstacle course.

Police and course officials anticipated a record crowd for the National. This is the first time the race has been run on Saturday—the result of a Government hold down on mid-week sports events, and they think many thousands will be free to come.

A slow flying police plane will hover above the course Saturday.

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Hairdo Strike Ends

London, Mar. 29.
The Great "Hairdo" strike ended on Friday.

Twelve English hairdressers returned to work at London film studios and the production of Sir Alexander Korda's £250,000 movie "An Ideal Husband" was resumed.

The hair stylists were idle for three days because the star Paulette Goddard, brought an American to do her hair. As the actors and actresses could not be made up, the production stopped and 1,000 were made idle.

The strikers agreed on Thursday night to let the American, Swedish-born Mildred, tend to Miss Goddard's locks while union executives argued their dispute with studio executives.

Associated Press.

U.S. Accusations

Washington, Mar. 28.
Accusations by leading United States Government policy-makers that Russia is running "police" states in the Soviet occupation zones and maintaining an "impressed" army of half a million men in northern Korea have been made public.

These accusations are contained in a document representing testimony before the House Appropriations Committee.

The appropriation at issue—which the committee approved—was the War Department request for an immediate \$300,000,000 emergency appropriation for relief in United States occupation zones.

In the document, Assistant Secretary of War, Mr. Howard Peterson, is quoted as cautioning Congress that failure to approve the funds would "bankrupt" United States foreign policy, that "the position of world leadership has certain responsibilities" and that "they cost money."

ALLOCATIONS

Of the requested \$300,000,000 a total of \$67,000,000 would be allocated for Germany, \$18,000,000 for Austria, \$74,000 (described as an "inconsequential amount") for Italy, \$144,000,000 for Japan and \$68,000,000 for Korea.

This \$300,000,000 would be in addition to the previously voted \$425,000,000 appropriation for relief costs in occupied zones for the 12 months ending June 30; the War Department request for \$725,000,000 for the same purpose in its budget for the year ending July 1; a pending measure to authorize expenditure of \$350,000,000 for relief in Italy, Greece, Hungary, Austria and Poland and China. President Truman's request for \$400,000,000 for aid to Turkey and Greece, and United States contributions to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

Gen. MacArthur recalled, he sent a directive to the Japanese Government on September 22, 1945, holding responsible for maintaining firm control over wages and prices and to initiate and maintain a strict rationing programme for essential commodities.

He said: "The Allied powers, of course, are under no obligation to maintain any particular standard of living in Japan, nor is there any responsibility to import foodstuffs" to meet deficits created by Japanese failure to operate a proper system.

GENERAL PROBLEM

Gen. MacArthur pointed out the food problem is not an isolated phenomenon but is only one part of an overall problem of economic stabilisation "which includes additional factors of increased production or raw materials and industrial products—stabilised wages and prices, maximum exports and sound public finance." By the same token the black marketing of food and failure to realise full collections are only two manifestations of general maldistribution.

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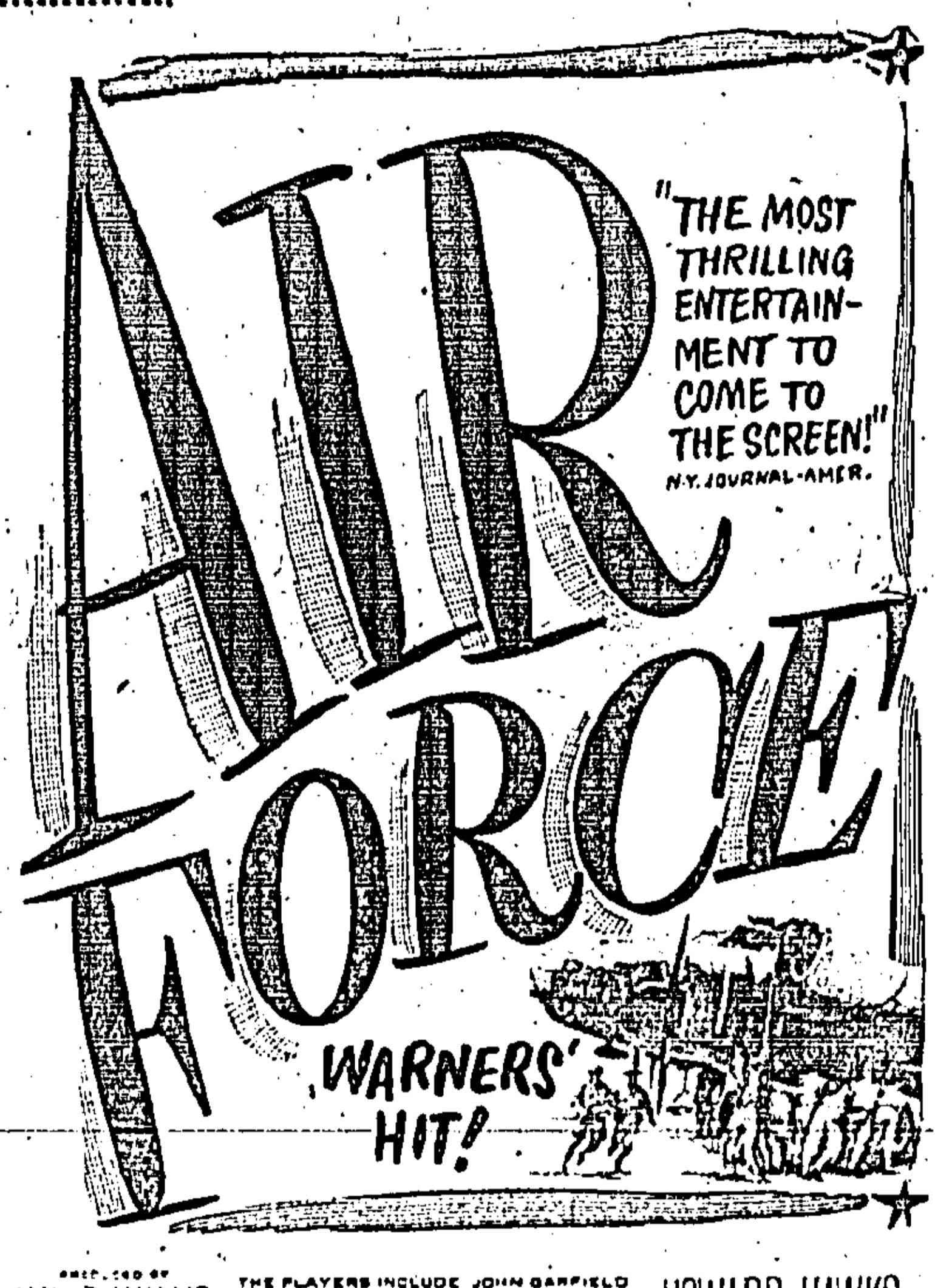


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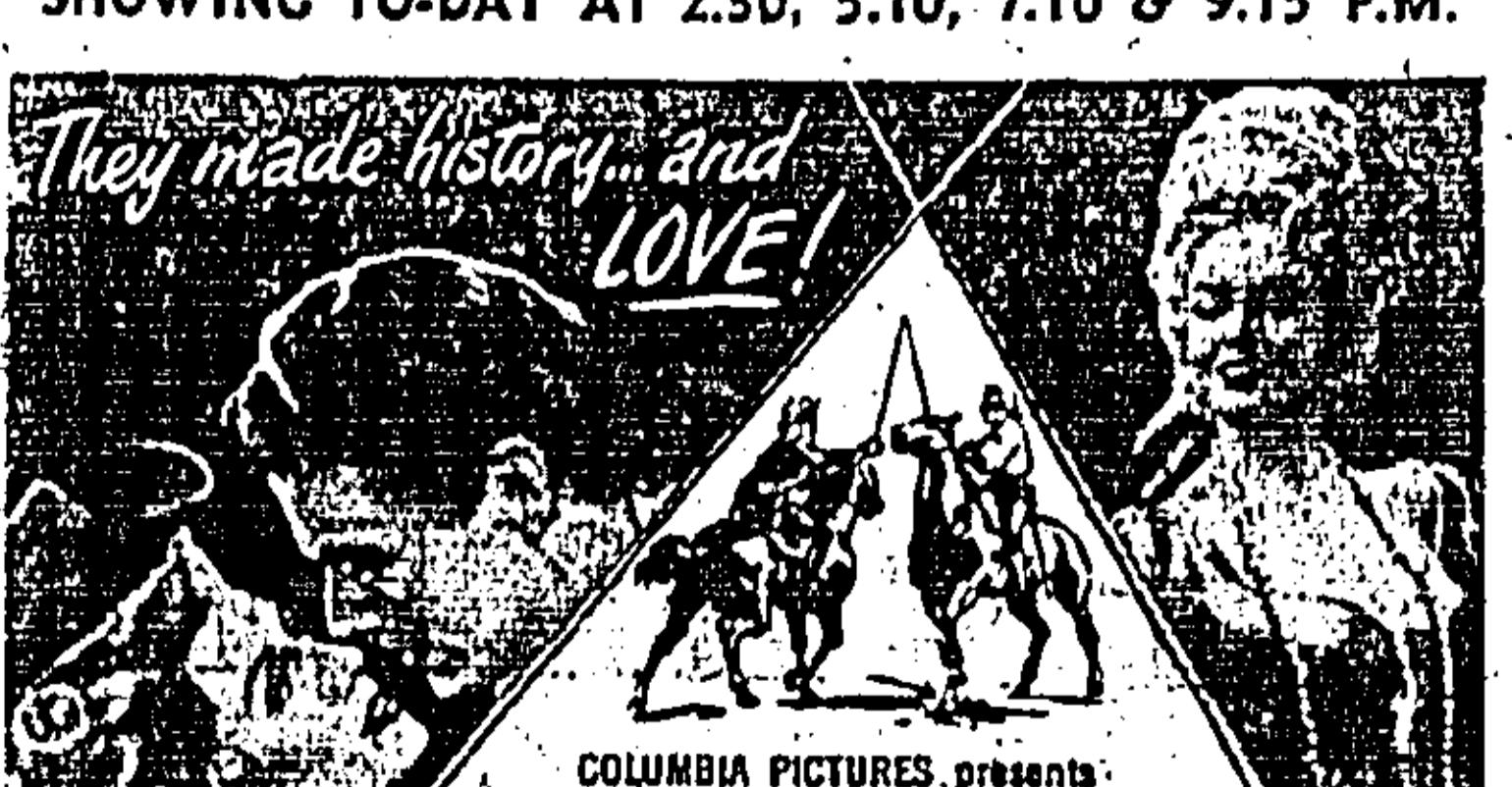
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DEBORAH Kerr, the British screen star who travelled 4,000 miles to appear in an American film with Clark Gable, has been in Hollywood only two months but she says she is already looking forward to a rest.

After a typical morning spent working with Gable before the cameras, Miss Kerr took lunch standing up, while a wardrobe attendant fitted a new gown:

"Never in my life," she declared, "did I think things would happen so fast."

Miss Kerr went to the United States to test for the role opposite Gable in the movie version of "The Hucksters," a best-selling novel about the advertising business. Two weeks after she landed in New York she was in Hollywood, competing with five other aspirants for the part. She not only won it but also a seven-year contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios.

"I was nervous during that test, as you can imagine," she said, "but I noticed that Mr. Gable was just as nervous, and I felt better."

The actress had never met Gable, although he and her husband, Tony Bartley, became friends while Gable was stationed in England during the war.

Director Jack Conway and producer Arthur Hornblow claim they knew Deborah was perfect for the part before she completed her test. The minute she stepped before the camera we were certain," Conway asserted. "She had such poise and self-assurance. It was a pleasure to watch her in the scene."

Immediately thereafter leisure became a word Miss Kerr seldom used. Hairdress tests, wardrobe fittings, interviews, portrait sittings and a myriad other preliminaries have engulfed her. She says she is excited and happy with all this business of being an important star in another land, but she is also anticipating the respite which will come only when the picture is completed—weeks away.

Miss Deborah Kerr is one of a number who are arriving in Hollywood these days with an auspicious record in the cinema already established. Her film career began in 1939, after many disappointments. Lunching with a friend in London one day, she was seen from another table by Gabriel Pascal, the pro-

ducer-director. He was so impressed that he presented himself.

"Let me hear you recite the Lord's Prayer," Pascal requested. She managed it and Pascal engaged her to portray the Salvation Army girl in the film version of Shaw's play, "Major Barbara." Since then she has appeared in some nine English films, of which "Love on the Dole," "The Life of Colonel Blimp" and "Vacation from Marriage" made her known to American audiences.

Now, strangely enough, both Miss Kerr and Pascal are in Hollywood. She and her husband, the son of Sir Charles and Lady Bartley, are living quietly in a rented house in Laurel Canyon, a section of the famous Hollywood Hills. Life is full and busy. But there may be a twinge of wistfulness in the tone with which she says: "I had always heard that time is something Americans don't waste. Now I know, first hand, how true that is."

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34 YEARS IN PICTURES



Harry Carey, whom you see here (center) with John Ridgely and Arthur Kennedy in "Air Force," now showing at the Alhambra Theatre, plays his 367th part in pictures in this film. Scene shows a tense moment just before the dropping of the bombs.

CINEMA GUIDE

SHOWING TODAY

QUEEN'S—Dolly Sisters.
KING'S—The Magic Bow.
ALHAMBRA—Air Force.

NEXT CHANGE

QUEEN'S—Days of Glory.
KING'S—Ziegfeld Follies of 1946.
ALHAMBRA—South of Tahiti.

GLAMOUR GIRLS

"The Dolly Sisters," 20th Century-Fox's sparkling new Technicolour musical starring Betty Grable, John Payne and June Havoc, and based on the story of the two top glamour girls of a generation ago whose lives and loves were the talk of the world, is showing at the Queen's.

In the gay story of the fabulous sisters who set the world afame with their song and dance, and broke a million hearts, Betty Grable is seen in the role of Jenny Dolly, with June Havoc as her equally talented sister, Rosie. John Payne, in his first screen appearance since being honourably discharged from the Army Air Forces, is seen in the role of a young song-and-dance man whose romantic link with Jenny constantly threatens to break up the sensational sister team.

The story opens in 1904 with the Dolly Sisters' arrival in New York from Hungary as children who dance for their supper in a little restaurant in Manhattan's East Side, and goes on through the dazzling era when the daring sisters enthralled America and the European continent with their musical and romantic exploits.

Claudette Colbert plans to give up acting in three years' time and turn to producing.

The electricity cuts have affected the studios, and the hold-up in production has cost plenty of money. Gaitsborough Studios had to stop work on "Good Time Girl" and "When the Bough Breaks." Denham and Pinewood were both able to film from their own generators, but at Walton-on-Thames studios, they had to bring in fairground generators.

Beeatrice Little, one of Britain's top favourites along the Great White Way, has been talked into doing a new musical comedy in London this year.

Metropolitan tenor Lauritz Melchior says he will sing opera in Boston because the local board of censors would not allow German opera during the war. "Art has nothing to do with politics," he says.

No pictures scheduled, but when Bing Crosby makes a July and August tour of Europe he will use English talent to help him make gramophone records. Bob Hope will be in Britain about the same time, and they will get together to make at least one record.

Olsen and Johnson, whose mad antics drew almost £20,000 for the first week in a New York night club, got as their share just under £3,000—a record in their 34 years as partners.

Pretty Kathryn Grayson is one of the many stars appearing in "Ziegfeld Follies of 1946," coming to the King's. Others include Fred Astaire, Judy Garland, Red Skelton, Esther Williams and William Powell.

21 YEARS

AGO IN
PICTURES

Ruth Rowland has come out of retirement to star in First National's "The Masked Woman."

The Duncan Sisters say that they are going to produce a screen version of "Topsy and Eva."

William Farnum is driving a flashy new Stutz roadster.

Mary Astor says that John Barrymore is "the greatest lover on the screen to-day!" Having been one of Mr. Barrymore's many leading ladies in Warner Bros.' highly touted "Don Juan," she should know.

Gloria Swanson will portray John d'Arc in United Artists' "Battalion of Death."

Pola Negri and Rudolph Valentino are planning to wed, come winter, at the actress's beautiful estate in France.

Ben Turpin is married again. His bride is the former Babette Elizabeth Dietz. She is his third.

Irene Rich has signed a contract with Warner Bros. Her first picture will be "My Official Wife." She will co-star with Mr. Conway Tenife.

Fox is dealing with that great actor, David Warfield, to make his initial screen appearance in "The Music Master."

Jack Holt has been set as leading man opposite Pola Negri in "Hotel Imperial."

The unbelievable has occurred: Tom Mix fell from his favourite steed, Tony, the other day and was badly shaken up.

Lon Chaney has signed a contract with Louis B. Mayer.

Ida Lupino

Faces The

Future

By Bob Thomas

If this were a soap opera, it would be called "Ida Lupino faces the Future," because the gal has more plans than an architect's convention.

First of all, Ida is another of the sexologists from Warner's. She is rounding out her last year at the Burbank lot. Her returns for lending include selection or roles, but of course the main reason is that folding stuff.

"I want to be able to retire in five years," she claimed. "And I can't do it on my salary." She pointed out that a contract player can't salt away much these days. The solution, which many are seeking, is the free-lance ticket.

Her present plans call for a film in England with Rex Harrison. Then she would partner with Benedict Bogenus and make a picture with him.

As to Ida's other idios, "I want to buy a boat."

"I want a boat so I can write on it." And she is no hunt-and-peck doodler, either. She has already sold several stories in good money when in five years she reaches the ripe age of 39, has amassed a comfortable bank account and a yacht, and has time to write, what then, Ida?

The once-married gal smiled knowingly and murmured: "A man, of course." Associated Press.

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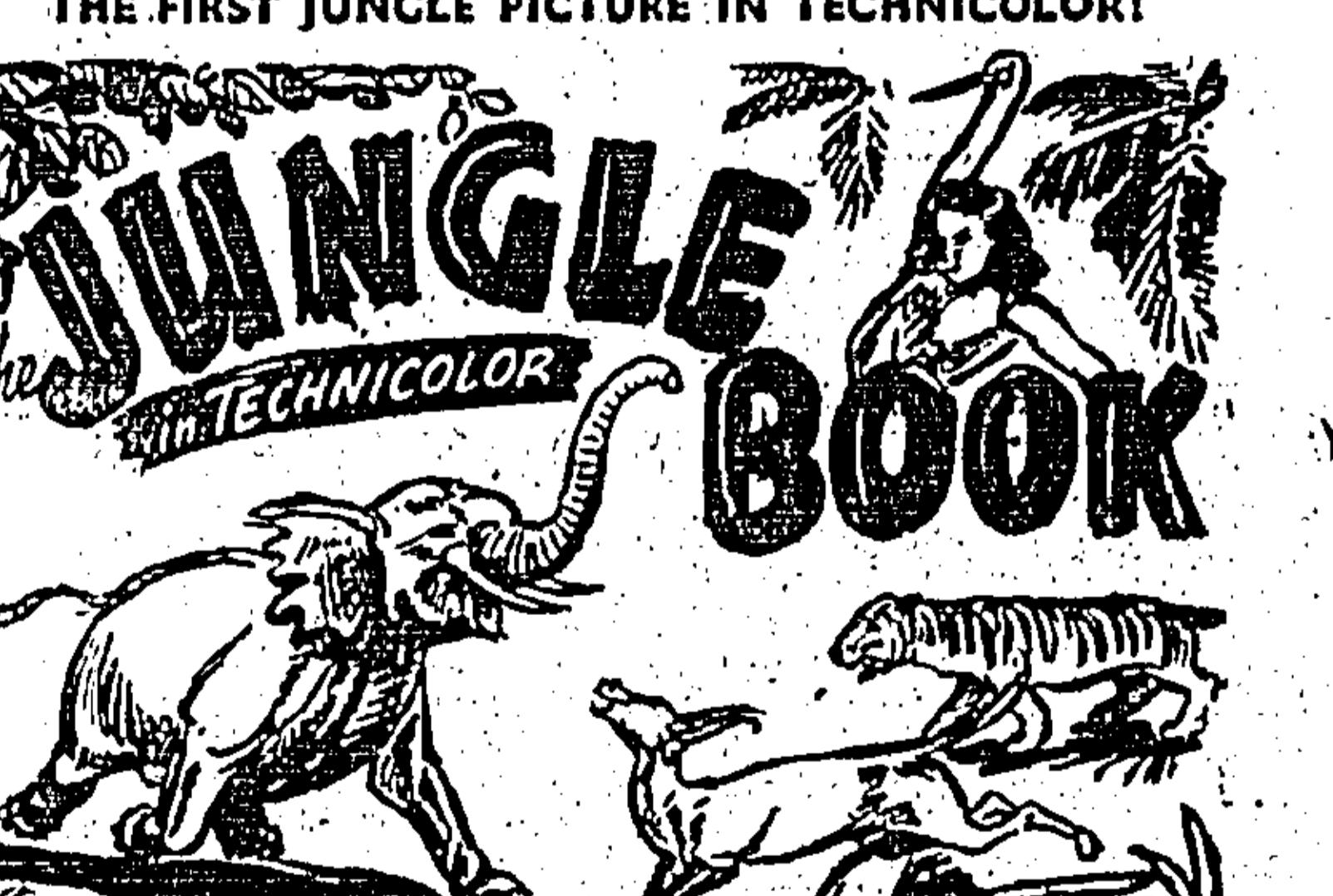
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11 YEAR-OLD PIANIST TO MAKE RADIO DEBUT FROM ZBW STUDIO

Novel & Attractive Programmes

An 11-year-old Russian boy will make his first broadcast next Thursday. He is Viacheslav Atroshenko, and he will give a piano solo recital of classical works from the ZBW studio at 7.15 p.m.

This is one of several novel studio programmes arranged for the coming week. On Monday the Hongkong Stage Club will present Donald Henderson's radio reconstruction of the world-famous murder case "The Trial of Lizzie Borden." Tuesday, being All Fools' Day, an amusing interlude will come from ZBW at 9.45 p.m. entitled "At Your Own Risk." This is a programme especially devised for the day by Donald Rudd and Desmond Scott, and will be presented by the Hongkong Stage Club.

On Friday, the Stage Club will offer Mosefield's "Good Friday." This has been adapted for broadcasting by Lieut-Commander Michael Chappell, R.N., the production being by Richard Gregory.

Complete details of the week's pro-

grammes follow.

12.30 DAILY PROGRAMME SUMMARY

12.32 LONDON TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE: "ACCENT ON MUSIC"

Churchmous on the Air—Taking the Train out; Blew Ride in July; Lover Come back to me; Peter Alister; George D'Alberto; James Moody on the Piano.

12.41 GLENN MILLER AND HIS ORCHESTRA

American Patrol (Meacham); Soldier, Give me your letter (Lippman); Say it (McHugh); New Weather Report and Announcements.

1.10 ORCHESTRAL INTERLUDE

Tango Bolero (Clossas)—Barnabas von Geery; Ilia Orch.

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AMERICAN COMMENTARY

by ARTHUR WEBB

IT WASN'T SO SMART TO WIN

WHAT'S new? That's the question with which my old friend Hannen Swaffer often greets his friends. And surprising indeed are some of the answers he receives—and the scoops he obtains. But that's his story.

Recently I have been trying his technique on some of my American acquaintances and the results, if not sensational, are noteworthy.

What's new? reported the White House correspondent of a New York paper. Well, he had been talking to some Republican leaders and they are more than a little worried. They are not so sure, the correspondent told me, that winning the election was such a smart thing after all.

They see that they cannot redeem their election promises to cut income tax by 20 percent and still balance the Budget. And they are wondering if they will lose the 1948 Presidential election if they really get tough with Labour.

The Big Business interests would like them to get tough, but Senator Taft and a few of the other leaders know that they have no chance of getting back again if they do not get a big slice of the workers' vote in all the big cities.

And you can take it that there is something in the talk about running Eisenhower for Presidency. He is a younger man than General Marshall—and a better mixer.

Most of the others who want to get into the White House are a dull lot. The public will want someone with some personality, you know, and Ike has it.

The Publicity Agent

WHAT'S new? echoed the publicity agent for a big motor car company. Nothing at the moment, but you just wait. Some of those dream cars we have been talking about may begin to appear on the streets within eighteen months.

They will be streamlined and air-conditioned, have supercharged engines, electric brakes and independent rear-wheel suspension with two-way radio telephones.

Sure, we promised all this while the war was on, but we have been too busy catching up with old orders to put new models into production. Now we are really seriously thinking of getting down to business.

You can expect body panels, bumpers and fenders made of plastic. Many new cars will be lighter in weight and much cheaper than present models. We may even copy the British and make some small cars that do fifty miles per gallon for use in the cities.



THE TERRORIST

HE was a little man, a free mover, with large, frank brown eyes behind big spectacles. When he sat down he crossed his legs so that one ankle rested easily on the other knee. His dark moustache was carefully luxuriant.

Before he came in my last said in a low voice: "I want you to observe him closely. He is one of the most charming men you ever met; everybody likes him. He is a terrorist. He is a member of Irgun Zvai Leumi."

I shivered, then decided to be bold. "Er, you aren't a member of a terrorist organisation by any chance, are you?" I asked in a gay voice.

His big brown eyes regarded me warmly. "Oh, no. I am a member of Haigah, the Jewish Defense Army. I do not believe in terrorism," he said, much as a man might say tomatoes don't agree with him.

We found we both didn't agree with terrorism. In ten minutes he was calling me Paul. He had a solution of the Palestine problem which sounded so sweetly reasonable I found myself agreeing with him. The Government are dolts. It involved partition and the securing of British military bases in southern Palestine.

When he left we were promising to meet each other in Paris, where he knows of a little restaurant. "Well, what did you think of our terrorist?" asked my host.

"I liked him," I said, blushing miserably.

Life is so confusing these days, don't you think?

COLLEGE QUIZ

MY son came down from Cambridge the other day. He had been waiting for scholarship. One of the questions he had to answer was: "What good do you think will be done by a Royal Commission of Inquiry into the Press?"

He told me he answered that such a commission would investigate the influence of advertisers on editorial reporting and policy, and inquire into the desirability of so much power for persuasion and propaganda being in the hands of so few men.

IMMORAL TO USE IT?

THIS Guinea Pig Controversy shocks me. Doctors wish to withhold the results of inhuman experiments conducted on concentration camp prisoners by the Nazis.

They admit that the scientific results of this cruelty are valuable, but think it would be immoral to use them.

Now I am imagining for a moment that I was a prisoner of the Nazis and they threw me in a freezing tank for six hours to prove that the human body can lower its heat below 70 deg. and still live. If my eyes were gouged out to try an experiment on a child born blind.

I suffered. I am useless now. Is my suffering to be useless, too?

If I were a writhing Belsen I'd haunt these smug doctors. Who are they with their queasy consciences to spurn wisdom? Are they trying to buy their tickets to Paradise?

GRANNY GOVERNMENT

HOW grannified is our Government becoming!

Public announcements warn us not to use a certain kind of artificial snow decoration because if it gets near the food it will give us all the collywobbles.

Recently mothers were warned not to skin antiques and use the meat in sandwiches.

When the spring comes they will be telling us not to smell the flowers for fear of hay fever.

FLACS IN HEAVEN?

MOTHERS are writing to the papers complaining that their sons, who died bravely in the war, are left to lie in enemy territory. They want their bones removed from German soil and brought to rest in England.

Now what does this mean? Does patriotism go beyond the grave? Are there dogs out in Heaven?

THE PARKERS by HODGES

JU-JU: The witch doctors who condemn men to death
by GERALD SCHEFF

PARLIAMENT has encountered a strange word . . . ju-ju. The medicine men of Westminster were angered by the sequel to a ritual murder 4,000 miles away on the humid, sun-drenched Gold Coast.

They heard how five natives sentenced to death had been taken five times to the condemned cell in Accra Prison, and on each occasion recited.

And they say they have a waiting list of another four hundred thousand.

The Plumber

WHAT'S new? muttered the plumber who called to fix the leaking tap. Did you hear they are bringing out a brand new electric tap that turns cold water into hot?

It weighs only a pound and it's fixed in a few minutes. Or maybe you would like a magic mirror door.

It's something that will let you see people outside, but they won't be able to see you. You won't have to open it for welcome guests.

Or, perhaps you would be interested in a freezer? It weighs no more than a flat-iron and will make a pint of ice-cream in ninety seconds.

You just pour in a few ice cubes, come ice cream mix and turn the handle. They say it is so simple that a child can use it. You can bet they will in my home if I ever get one.

The Secretary

WHAT'S new? replied my secretary. The answer is I have managed to buy butter at seventy cents a pound—about three and fourpence in English money—and they were asking me five shillings a pound a few weeks ago.

Prices of meats and other things are beginning to come down because people like myself haven't been buying them. So I suppose there is something in this consumer resistance idea that they are talking about after all.

You would be surprised how polite some of the shopkeepers are becoming. That's certainly something new.

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BEAUTY QUIZ

By LOIS LEEDS



Here's a Beauty Quiz from me to you.

Do you select colours that flatter your Face and your Figure?

Do you ever think before you buy accessories—"Will they go with the clothes that I have? Are they suitable for what I do, where I go?"

Do you buy a hat just because it's pretty? Do you stop to consider the way that you wear your hair, the type of clothes that you will wear with it? Do you select a hat to "frame" your face?

Do you keep your gloves clean or do you say, "Oh, it doesn't matter" and go on wearing gloves that need cleaning and with the fingers in need of repair?

Do you forget to put on your powder base and go out looking "blotchy" and shiny?

"Do you forget to wear the accessories that make you look well groomed, such as a string of pearls, a bracelet, a clip?

Do you comb your hair in public? Are you always late for your appointments?

Do you really look into your mirror when you are putting on your makeup?

Do you apply your lipstick carefully, pinching a tissue between the lips to remove excess lipstick? Think over these questions.

Your Quiz to Me

What perfume best suits a blonde?—Light flower fragrances. What shade of eyeshadow is most becoming to a brown-eyed girl?—Green eyeshadow gives depth to Brown eyes.

Must eyeshadow be matched to the colour of one's eyes?—No, it is more "eye appealing" to match it to the colour of your dress or to an

accessory. Example—Purple eyeshadow is lovely when a bunch of violets is worn at the throat. Green gloves can be cleverly accented by Green eyeshadow.

Evening gowns in the royal wardrobe, for South Africa are elaborately embroidered and jewelled. These sketches by Battemby show:

Left: Princess Elizabeth's Hartnell evening dress, reminiscent of the Stuart period. In soft lime green silk taffeta, full sleeves are set low on an off-the-shoulder neckline. Antique gold motifs are sewn at intervals over the entire dress—gold stars and flowers, and sprays of tiny gold leaves and beads.

Centre: Worn over an authentic white silk-covered crinoline frame is one of the Queen's beautiful crinoline gowns.

Made of thick white slipper satin, the wide low neckline and huge skirt is crusted with gold and gilt.

Right: One of the prettiest frocks in Princess Margaret's selection of tulle evening dresses. Of crisp white tulle, it is embroidered with delicate opalescent flowers in pink, pale blue and silver.

Teen-agers!

Mother won't mind this make-up

by Jill Morrison

looks at all. Far from it. This is the time when they should be preparing the foundations of their future good appearance.

IT'S the time to see that your teeth are white, your hair gleaming, your skin clear, nails well kept and your body graceful.

Your tools for the job? Simply toothbrush, hairbrush, nailbrush. Cosmetics?—A good shampoo, toothpaste, soap and water—all used with enthusiasm.

For the rest fresh air, plenty of sound sleep and exercise.

A simple hair style, depending on the shine of your hair for its effect, is best for you. Tapered, it will be easily kept tidy. Neatness generally is a good habit you should develop.

ABOVE all, cultivate the habit of washing your face and neck EVERY NIGHT before bedtime.

Don't get a complex about the shine on your nose. On a healthy skin it's attractive. So much so, in fact, that there's a craze in America at present, among older women even, for "buffeting" the face after makeup has been applied, to achieve this youthful effect of shine.

Only when it's excessive and due to greasiness need you bother, and in that case powder won't help. It may even cause blackheads and open pores if used carelessly. It is much better to cure the greasy condition.

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New York Spring Silhouette

By DOROTHY ROE

"Hussy" styles, during but discreet, are the news of Jo Copeland's spring fashion collection, shown for members of the visiting fashion press, in New York for the semi-annual style "showings."

Miss Copeland, famous for her sleek cocktail suits and dressy afternoon styles, goes in for feminine allure in a big way this season. Gowns which are skin tight through the torso, and adroitly draped low on the hipline and bustline curves.

Drapery, berths, puffed peplums, hip swiveling and cascading ruffles are all employed by the untrifled Miss Copeland to dramatize the female form divine. She accents the long torso line, prevalent throughout all collections, uses her drapery or flounces placed low on the skirt, and sometimes adds a provocative slit.

Anne Miller shows "white collar" styles such as a black and white shepherd's check suit with a green silk blouse, a white collar and black tie. A black silk tulle suit has a "dictionary print" blouse and lapels, showing French phrases and their translations.

The collection also features a middy top silhouette, and balloon sleeves on a shranting suit with coco boleto-and-black skirt.

Clare Potter, one of the winners of last year's American fashion critics' award, greets the return of Irish linen with pure joy, and shows a series of summer spectator sports and evening dresses in this glamour fabric.

Her hand-painted cottons are again featured in her collection, in outfit for daytime, playtime and evening, all colourful, original and gay.

A highlight of her "At Home" outfit is a pink blouse with plumed peplum, worn with black taffeta pants.

She likes country clothes, being a member of the landed gentry herself, and shows the kind of casual, colourful country dinner dresses that all women love. These often have drawstring necks and waistlines, and are done in splashy hand-painted cottons, which can be laundered with the family wash and still come up smiling.—Associated Press.



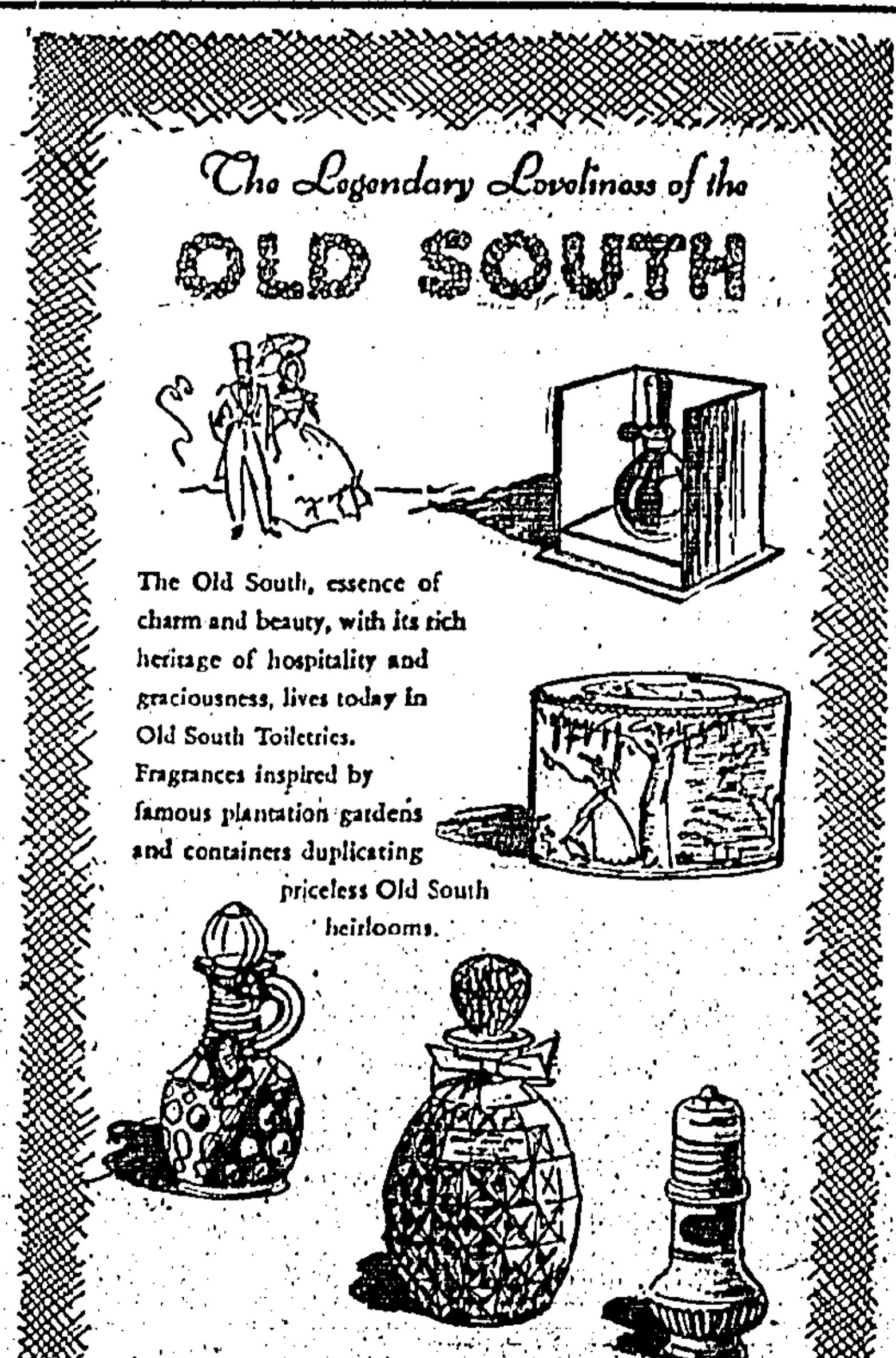
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Say It With Flowers

— BY QUIZ —



WHEN God put flowers into the world He gave mankind one of the loveliest gifts of all—a gift that is renewed each year with the seasons, as the flowers bloom to delight us with their beauty.

When violets and primroses peep from the hedgerows, and delicate wood anemones hide their fragile beauty in the woods; when blue-

bells spread in a heavenly carpet around the grey green and silver boughs of birch and beech trees; and later, when wild roses festoon the hedges and give a bridal air to summer, it is a poor heart that does not beat in thankfulness at this ever-repeated miracle.

Perhaps that is why a gift of flowers has a beauty all its own.

From the willing posy offered from the hot hand of a little child to the more elaborate admiring sends to his lady a bouquet retaining this magic quality, suggesting a delicate compliment of love and regard.

FLOWERS give beauty to the happy moments of life and soften the sad. Their perfumes delight our senses. Their names are poetry—love-in-the-mist, columbine, lily-of-the-valley, rosemary, to mention a few; while for picturesque description, bachelor's button, bird's eye, snapdragon give the quaint quality of a midsummer night's dream.

I am glad our national emblem is the rose; and I am glad all the sweetest things sound sweeter when they are "said with flowers."

KEEP DEATH OFF THE ROADS

Six Involved In Traffic Accidents Daily—One Killed Every Other Day

"KEEP Death Off The Roads" is one of the slogans which the Traffic Department may well adopt and have painted prominently along Hongkong's thoroughfares to impress all road users of the present high accident rate and to warn them, whether drivers of vehicles or pedestrians, to exercise proper care and caution.

The necessity for better handling of vehicles by drivers and a greater degree of road sense on the part of pedestrians is admitted by police authorities and responsible citizens generally.

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

"MAKE your excuses," says Man an article, "courteously, and flutter a little."

For example, Napoleon, Napoleon's Minister, was late for an appointment at the time of Erfurt, when all the kings were hurrying to kiss the Emperor's hand. He said, "My apologies, sir, for being late, but I ran into a mob of kings, and could hardly push my way through."

And talking of Napoleon, a young officer, dazzled by the Emperor's prestige saw the guard turn out for a German king, and rebuked a small drummer-boy thus: "Gently, gently! It's only a king!"

Suet lashes out at inefficiency

CHARLIE SUET is calling for a corps of Food Leader Advisers, to advise Food Leaders how to explain to the public what they are supposed to do if they want to do something they can't do. Sitting in his room at the headquarters of the Society for General Purposes, Suet said: "We have now arrived at a stage in things when whatever can be suggested in any way should be considered for suggestion by any means. It is not always easy to make people understand what is being explained to them about other matters. Therefore I think there is a lot to be done in one way or another both in advice and explanation for whatever may be needed in various things."

Clearing it up

IN answer to a question Mr Wallhouse said: "In the matter of creating a satellite town, naturally the inhabitants are not consulted. That would be too much like democracy." Mrs Gladys was heard to shout "The Minister is a beast." At that point Mr Wybrow intervened to say that he was sure they all thought that whatever it was was what was wanted. (Government cheers.) Mr Col: And Clara? A Minister: Clara who? Mr Col: I was referring to the Communications League of Associated Restrictions Awards. Mrs Vobbe: Some dirty cheese importer, I suppose. A Minister: The Hon. Member has no right to assume any such thing (Opposition cries of "What about steel?") Mr Calgrave: I shall raise the matter again. Mr Zazar: Get out of Europe. The House then adjourned.

Ho, I say, look 'ere!

He spends all day stooping above cells in a special tank, to study them. (Morning paper).

HE is head over eels in love with his job "commented a bystander.

"Heels, heels!" corrected a passing member of the Board of Education.

Tail-piece

A new optimism is in the air. (Morning paper.)

IT consists in telling a tired woman who is advancing inch by inch along a fish queue that she will soon be able to travel faster than sound.

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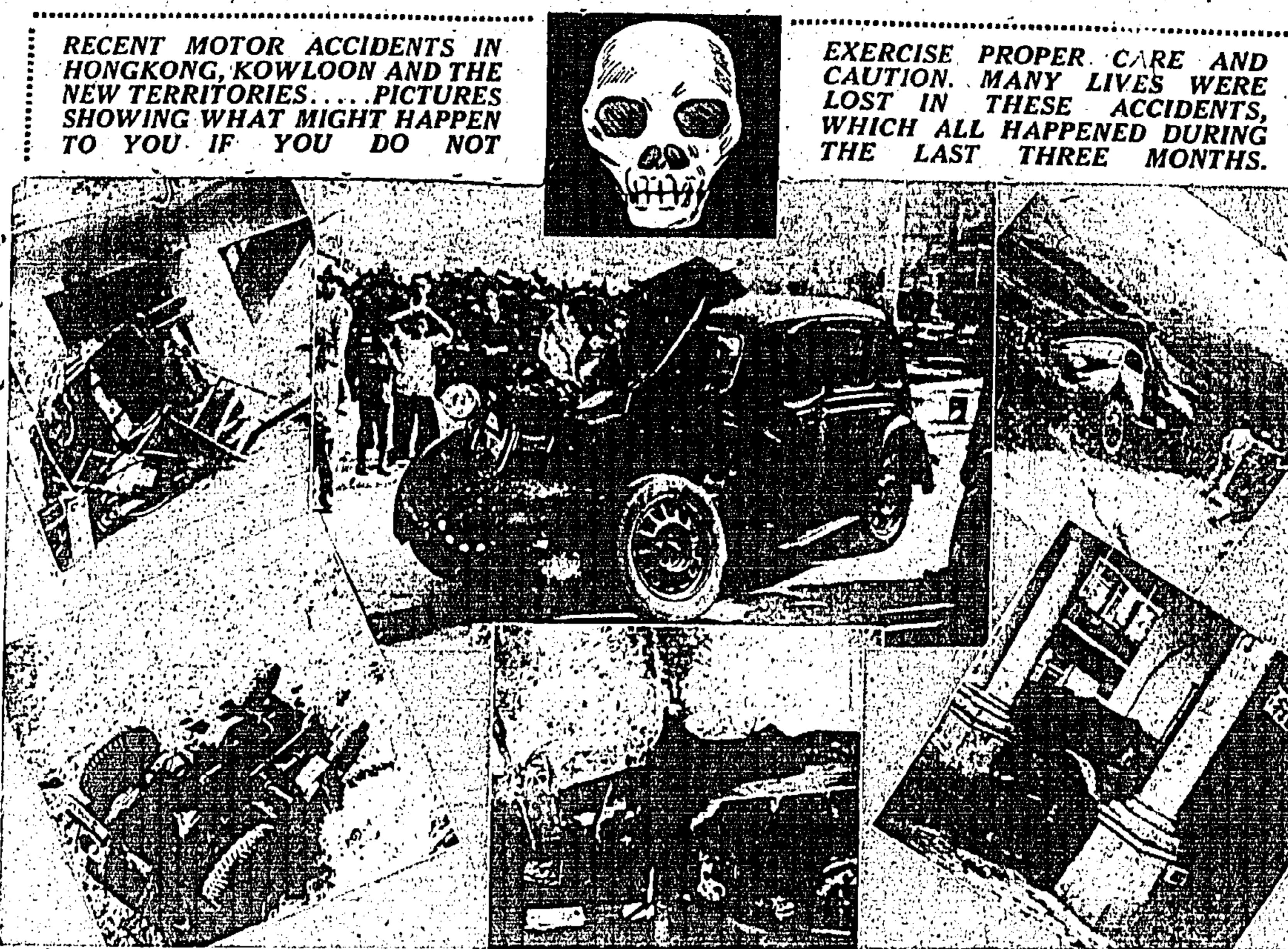
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One other frequent cause of accidents is the failure of car drivers to make clear and definite signals, the absence of which is a marked feature at the present time. Many unnecessary accidents have also been caused by people jumping off moving trams and buses. In order to try and reduce this type of accident, the police intend to prosecute all such offenders, even if they have suffered injuries.

The last full-scale safety campaign carried out by the police was in 1939. Last year, the Military Administration undertook a comprehensive campaign by the means of press notices, posters and public address talks. That achieved some result for a time, but its good effects soon wore off and the number of accidents again increased.

POLICE figures show that the accident rate has risen steadily in the past year. In March 1946, the total number of accidents recorded was 145. In September last year, the number had risen to 264. The total in February 1947 was 295.

In January and February this year, nearly 250 summonses were taken out in Hongkong and Kowloon. Of these, over 50 were for driving without due care and caution, over 100 for speeding, about 30 for disobeying traffic signals, over 10 for failing to report an accident and over 10 for driving without lights.

There were in the Colony at the end of February 3,693 motor vehicles of all types licensed by the civil authorities. Other types of

vehicles using the roads and licensed included 853 rickshaws (it is known that there are also a large number unlicensed) and 844 tricycles. The number of licensed rickshaws is about the same as before the war, but the tricycles are an innovation. The authorities are not intending to abolish tricycles, but it is learned that the number may be reduced.

UNTIL recently, the Traffic Branch was much understaffed, but more personnel, particularly supervising officers, have recently become available, and the present strength is about 80. These include European and local inspectors and point duty police. More officers are now being put on road patrol. There are three radio cars in use, but this number is to be increased.

The traffic authorities are doing everything possible to make the roads safe, and in this connection,

among other things, they are engaged in census taking at different points to determine congestion and other relevant matters; speeding up the installation and repair of traffic lights and signs, and painting the kerbs at crossroads, pedestrian crossings and traffic islands. The painting of the new islands recently completed in Kowloon has been done, and similar work will shortly commence for the whole Colony. In addition, consideration is being given to the matter of controlled areas, and it is indicated that further safety measures for congested areas may soon be instituted. The police are also organising a widespread safety campaign which will be held soon.

All these measures are being taken with a view to "Keep Death Off the Roads," but it is up to drivers and other road users to co-operate to the fullest extent to ensure the utmost safety for everybody.

Vets Told: 'Keep Your Uniforms'

Veterans of World War II are cautioned by retired U.S. Marine Corps Gen Holland M. Smith not to throw their uniforms away.

The veteran of 43 years in the Marines, commanding on world affairs, said he advised "during them off," adding that the United States was "sitting on the edge of a volcano to-day."

"Europe from Finland to the Adriatic is an armed camp. Paraguay is in revolt. The French are having no little trouble in Indo-China. India is seething—and here our isolationists are mounting the snide again," he said.

Smith said instead of a country tired of fighting, careful reading of what goes on at the peace conference discloses "we are faced with active, implacable enmity of a former ally which commands power as great as that of our own country."—United Press.

SPITFIRES START EASILY AT 40 BELOW

The British Navy Air Arm and RAF have had more success than the Americans with cold weather aviation tests being conducted in Alberta at sub-zero weather, according to New York.

British airplanes are operating easily in biting cold at Namao, collaborating with Canadian Arctic experts who have been studying cold weather flying problems for the last five years.

The Problem
Most difficult problem of Arctic regions has been rapid engine starting. The Americans up to date have been forced to pre-heat their airplane engines before starting, and this often takes from 10 to 45 minutes.

As a result it has not been necessary for the British to bother with heating anything except the battery.

When the engine starts the fuel tank containing naphtha is turned off, and usual high octane petrol turned on. Spitfires start at 40° below under this process, and Lincoln bombers and Royal Navy Fireflies start at 53° below.

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THE ARMY OF THE JUNGLE HOLE Final Instalment

FAREWELL TO SHANGRI-LA

by TOM HARRISON

A final instalment of Tom Harrison's story of war against the Japanese in the Borneo jungle.

UNTIL you've tried to walk from Brunei Bay to our hole in the jungle headquarters at Bario, you just wouldn't believe there could be so many mountains arranged parallel to each other and at right-angles to our line of march.

Our show was made considerably worse by a peculiar native custom. When a hill tribesman dies, there is first of all a big party, a funeral a week later to celebrate his departure. For the next year, his family will be busy collecting rice, cattle, and gifts to have a much bigger party.

The guests may run into a couple of thousand.

The climax

THE drinking of rice wine may last a week. The climax of the bungle is that everyone climbs one of the local peaks and cuts a clearing or ride for 20 or 30 yards along the top of it.

This is the door for the man's spirit to proceed to the after-life.

The bigger the party, the more the guests feel obliged to make a bigger door on a bigger and better peak.

And it is common form for the ordinary jungle tracks afterwards to go through these doors when they cross the range. So, a nice flat bit of track doesn't interest a hillman.

And these chaps are so long in the leg and powerful in the thigh, they can carry 60lb., or more, up the steepest mountain without worrying.

I got pretty used to it myself, and ended up by making two doors for my friends: Squadron Leader Graham Pockleigh, DFC, RAAF, and Major Ben Ellis, British parachutist with over 100 jumps, both of whom were lost when the plane which dropped our original party in March was shot down by the Japs a few minutes later on its way home.

Only I selected the few highest and previously unclimbed mountains in Central Borneo for these two doors. That made even my native friends think twice!

Suicide rate

THE short-legged Japs, who had to carry all their own kit, took terrible punishment on the mountains.

You are doing very well, hero if you can march five miles a day.

After about 50 miles the odd Jap began to commit suicide. After 100, the suicide rate was roughly one a day.

Of course, we helped them to feel that way, ably assisted by the leeches, the rain and a few special tricks.

In most places in Borneo the leeches are a menace. They get worse as you go in. If you are in good shape, the loss of blood doesn't matter much.

When you begin to weaken it makes a difference.

Borneo rain is nobody's business. Up in the interior tableland it falls over 200 inches a year, and all the round.

It generally comes on about three o'clock in the afternoon. If you are wise you start marching at first daylight and start building your jungle leaf shelters for camp by 2.30. (We never used tents or any other unnecessary equipment.)

'Creepers' bridges

SUDDENLY unaccountably, every stream and river on your track would be in raging flood. These floods can make progress impossible. We always had secret routes of food, and often knew special ways round difficult ridges or fords.

Better than that, the hill people are wizards at bridge building.

Working with a very tough sort of vine or creeper, they can quickly sling a suspension bridge from one river bank to another.

The crossing is not recommended for those who get nervous when they hear the word Dakota.

But it's a lot better than fording a flood or crossing a crocodile.

Everyone in the interior was on our side. So as most of the areas the Japs had to cross were unoccupied, they usually ended up having no idea where they were.

Mostly they were trying to make for places hundreds of miles away where they believed there were Japanese patrols. In fact, they never got there, they were obliged them by making phonies' tracks.

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RICH GOLD LAND

THE Royal Family arrived at the end of the summer, for the seasons are in reverse Down there, and found the weather fairly warm although not too hot.

The soft climate—it seldom goes below fifty degrees in the winter in most parts of the Union—matures people young.

The war has affected the economy of South Africa as it has done that of many other countries. Factories have sprung up on the veldt, and manufacturing now takes first place in the national income, although gold mining still ranks high.

The Dominion produces a third of the world's gold, about £100,000,000 a year, but it does not get this wealth easily.

Although very great, the gold deposits are low grade and quite often more than five tons of ore have to be mined and crushed and

patches of ground on a track and both sides of it are sown with these needles of pain.

Nothing shows, but the pressure of the foot drives the spike into the instep.

Of course, we evacuated the whole population and all food supplies ahead of every Jap column.

So, the further they got in, the less food they had. And they had not the native knowledge to live off the jungle.

Nevertheless, I must pay my tribute to their amazing endurance and stamina.

One column of 600 carried on for more than four months, making an average of only two miles a day, and losing a man a mile, and at the end of it 40 were still in fighting condition.

We made it easy for any column in their first stretch away from the coast. It was stretch to let them get in . . .

Our own airfield

ON the other hand, we didn't want them to get very far in case they started interfering with our own supply lines, radio network, or the wonderfully rich and fertile valleys of the Shangri-la uplands, where any army could live at ease for ever.

And by now we had our own private airfield.

We had never imagined when we dropped in that an airfield would be a possibility.

But soon after we got in we heard news of a number of American airmen shot down in the interior.

We collected 11 and the question was: What do with the chaps?

They were in a shocking state, with malaria, sores, dysentery and nerves.

As it was impossible to walk them out, the only thing was to fly them out. So I decided to build an airfield.

I had one man to spare for the job—Australian Private Griffiths—a wonderful chap.

The native labour supply was unlimited, but no one had the slightest idea of how to get about it.

With a little frantic radio signalling I got a Yank Catalina to drop some buckets and spades.

Unfortunately the barefoot natives refused to use the spades. They cleared the area with fire and sticks, hands, home-made hoes, and their feet.

Now, with a shuttle service to Labuan, we flew out the Yanks. And we were able to go down and consult with the regular army people, or even go out for the night for a party.

It made a big psychological difference.

One R.A.A.F. type, 6ft. 3ins. Flight-Lieutenant Paul Bartram, an Englishman from Oxford, took charge of the airfield and Shangri-la headquarters.

The place began to become a perfect tourist resort, with brasharts coming up for a week-end of the cool mountain air and the strong rice wine.

The fertile valleys teemed with cattle, buffalo, pigs, goats, fowls, fruit and vegetables.

The natives grew excellent tobacco and themselves were generous and hospitable.

By the time the war ended in August we were ready to go home, or to sit in Shangri-la.

Unfortunately, some Japs thought differently.

Now, with a shuttle service to the way those people risked everything to fight for the white man agains the Japs.

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There is still friction between the British and the Afrikanders, as the Boers are now called, but the real struggle is between the Europeans and the non-Europeans. This was brought out at the recent meeting of the United Nations in New York, when South Africa was criticised for its treatment of its Indian population.

The Indians amount to a quarter

of a million of South Africa's population. The real problem facing the two million Europeans in the country is the eight million natives.

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CAPE SQUABBLE

THE thousands of natives being drawn into the mass production plants are bound to insist on their rights in time.

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But that is the tragedy of the Liberal in South Africa. As one of them has expressed it: "We dare not advance too fast, we dare not advocate racial equality, otherwise we'll put in office even blacker reactionaries than we have now."

"CANDIDUS" ON WORLD POLITICS

Momentous Policy Decisions

DURING the last month, the stage of international politics has revealed fast-moving scenes which have given food for profound thought for most of us. In spite of the earlier promises of the power of the United Nations in settling international disputes without again resorting to war, it has become all too patent that the very term "United" is a misnomer; and it is equally clear that Russia is largely to blame.

The strong and dramatic lead taken by America leaves no room for doubt as to which nation is responsible for the discord which exists in the Council of UNO, and the chain of American announcements and actions, taken in chronological order in so short a space of time, is surely enlightening.

EARLY in the month, MacArthur advocated "quick and early peace with Japan," and although "economic stability" is as good a reason as any other one that supports the sudden urgency.

About the same time, the United States rejected Russia's plan for the control of atomic energy, but announced its intention of spending \$400,000,000 in the further development of such energy for 1947/8. Shortly afterwards, an American senator asked: "Can America afford to give Russia the opportunity to extend its influence in Greece and Turkey and gain control of the Dardanelles?"

The belief that the senator was "inspired" is confirmed by the momentous announcement made by President Truman which quickly followed, appealing to Congress to assist Greece and Turkey to the extent of \$400,000,000. Said the President: "The peoples of the world have recently had totalitarian regimes forced upon them against their will!" A very good reason, presumably, for the United Nations Organisation, and indicating its lack of faith in UNO and its determination to check the spread of an individualistic doctrine which has already caused trouble in almost every corner of the world.

Brave and true

SO, from November 1946 to July 1947 I remained in the lonely and beautiful mountains evacuating Japs, disarming guerrillas and clearing up the mess.

Perhaps I didn't appreciate how lucky I was. At least, not until I hit the coast and the first newspaper hit me.

Up there, we had never heard of UNO or Ernest Bevin, we innocently thought that after the war there would be peace in Europe as in UNO.

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NOWHERE is the review of recent events. The strength of purpose behind American policy, which obviously has British backing, cannot be ignored. It is realised that in Europe, Russia supports a strong Germany, and this fact in itself is surely significant.

Sifting the momentous facts which emerge from a close study of the present-day international situation, it is impossible to escape the view that America, at all costs, is determined to check the spread of the Communist doctrine. Her own great country has suffered enough from the infiltration of Communist agents, and she realises that the time has come to indicate in no uncertain terms that she is not going to allow her own precious conception of Liberty to be shattered by doctrinal diametrically opposed to her ideals and the ideals of every liberty-loving American.

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• SPORTS FEATURES •

Governor's Cup Is Main Week-End Attraction

(BY SEE TEE)

To-morrow's Governor's Cup match at Caroline Hill is one of the most attractive fixtures of the season; the first round, played on the Club ground on February 10, produced a rare feast of football. After ninety minutes exciting play the two representative sides were level at four goals all.

To-day's league games are mostly re-arranged first division fixtures. Easterners are at home to the Navy on the Club ground; in their last league meeting in late October the sailors won 4-2.

If in to-morrow's Governor's Cup game the Football Association and the Hongkong Chinese Amateur Athletic Association sides are level at the end of 90 minutes' play extra time will not be played. A deciding game will be arranged by the Council; in the deciding game only shall extra time be played.

NEWCOMERS

The Association's team includes five players only who took part in the first game. They are Powell, Dear, Alring, B. Gosano and Ford. Farrow of the Club has been preferred to Crumpton of the Navy at right back; Shepherd of 27th Field Rgt takes Burns' place at right half and Anderson of the R.A.F. very naturally moves into Cashman's left half position. Cashman has left the Colony, as have Heggie and Willis who were outside right and centre forward respectively. I have a feeling that Eves of the Navy "B" team is going to have a good day; he has two very good wingmen to play with, and to play to him.

The Chinese team is well set up on a strong defence in which Tee Kam-hung takes the place of Ng in the Federation's last Governor's Cup side. All the halves are good—they enjoy the added advantage of being drawn from one club, Sing Tao. The selectors fairly indicate football form in choosing a large proportion of Sing Tao players, but it is questionable whether the choice of eight out of eleven is justified. Much as I like the play of Tsui I would prefer to see the Amateurs' wingman, Leung, in his place, with Chow Man-chi at inside left.

It is a good side, however, if just a little speculative in its choice of Fung to lead the attack. Another drawn game is very strongly indicated here.

A-WASH-OUT

There was very much of the anti-climax about last Sunday's Sing Tao—South China League game. Thousands of followers of football had waited months for this second meeting of the two premier Chinese clubs. During the first half, when exchanges were fairly even, there was some semblance of football prowess about the play of the two teams. It would be most interesting to know how many home-side games carried on under similar aquatic difficulties to those which wrecked the second half play of this game. There were floods up and down Britain yet only three league games were postponed.

At Causeway Bay the second match of the afternoon was abandoned in its fifth minute.

There was much hard football and as much good humour at Sookunpo last Saturday for the meeting of 42 Commando and 27th Field Regt. I was interested in the possibility of seeing two of the Colony's best goalkeepers in action, Powell and Craske. Each of these keepers conceded one goal but neither was given much chance of showing his best form, they were both far too well covered by quick tackling backs and halves.

42 Commando did more pressing with the result that the ball came Craske's way fairly regularly. I liked his unhesitant running-out clearances, his readiness to boot the ball away and the clever way he covered the ball once he had it in his grasp. Craske has no illusions about how, when and where he might be charged: despite his lack of inches he set two feet firmly on the ground and, holding the ball tight, presented a resolute shoulder to the charging opponent. Not once did he look appealingly at the referee.

ROBUST FOOTBALL

Altogether this all-Army league match produced some of the most robust give-and-take football it has been my pleasure to see for some while. The same was true of Commando Cup day at Kowloon on Wednesday afternoon. 45 Commando were hard put to hold out against Brigade HQ in a terrific struggle which went to extra time still without final result.

SPORTING SAM



By Reg. Wootton.



Lieut. Jackson (left) winning the 880 yards from Capt. Pearn in last week's Services athletic meeting, won by 3 Cdo Ede RM.—Ming Yuen.

Tests In Retrospect

Bradman-A Relentless Captain

BY VERNON MORGAN

THE PLAYER'S EQUIPMENT

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"The usual equipment of a player," reads the note to Law 4, "consists of a jersey or shirt, shorts, stockings and boots." Law 4 itself is at pains to ensure that players shall not wear anything which may be dangerous to any other player. Just as foul and dangerous forms of play are banned so are the wearing of any articles (not necessarily boots) which the referee may consider liable to cause injury to another player.

Full descriptions of football boots, their studs, bars and nailing are set out in Law 4. Boots must conform to the detailed standard and referees are advised to examine players' gear at any time if they have reason for doubting that they are required for the safety of other players. Bars on the soles of the boots must be flat in surface and not less than half an inch in width; they must be rounded at the ends and stretch without break across the width of the boots. Neither bars nor studs shall project more than half an inch; their nails shall be driven in flush.

Most players are very careful to ensure that they wear nothing liable to injure another player, but it is not generally known that Law 4 refers to metal rings (worn on the fingers, etc.), belts, buckles, etc.

The F.A. make no bones about how seriously they regard any wilful transgression of this law. If a player's boots are considered by the referee to infringe the law that player should be sent off the field temporarily and should not be allowed to return—to take part in the game until he has reported to the referee. It is the duty of the referee to satisfy himself that the player's boots (or whatever else it may be) are quite in order.

DON'S TACTICS

In the unlikely event of a player not complying with the referee's instructions regarding the removal of dangerous play equipment an official decision of 1934 indicates very clearly how serious such conduct is regarded. The defaulting player must be ordered off the field (not "sent off the field of play temporarily") and the official decision goes on, "shall not play thereafter without the consent of the Football Association or affiliated County association concerned."

WINTER SPORTS FOR RAF

Latest development in the field of Royal Air Force sport is the formation of a Winter Sports Association to include skiing, skating, and bobsledding, and two teams have been sent to Switzerland by the R.A.F. Sports Board to represent Britain in the contests for the world bobsledding championships and also to train for the 1948 Olympic Games. The teams, each consisting of four men and one reserve, are led by Group Captain R. W. P. Collings and have been chosen from all ranks of the R.A.F. who have had any experience of or show any flair for this kind of sport. With the exception of one Sergeant all the members of the teams are officers, but another Sergeant, a blacksmith and sheet metal worker by trade, is accompanying the teams as mechanic.

Not all Australians are pro-

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other. Even the fellow Test player, Jack Fingleton, says: "Bradman has proved himself a shrewd leader but not a generous one. He was always a firm believer in rubbing in the salt." Fingleton's comments on the play in Australia were really admirable and his final summing up of the tour is a real masterpiece.

Pleading that cricket should be played as a game and depreciating the "same old Scrooge stuff" which existed before the war," he concluded with these words: "Cricket is still one of the good things left in life if played properly," adding, on his return to Canberra and political reporting, "I think I have seen more gestures towards one another from bitter political enemies who differ in the fundamentals of life, than I have seen in the whole of this Test series."

The tour has proved that Test cricket is a young man's game and equally apply. The Englishmen in Australia, just as the Indians in England last summer, treated their tour as a series of games, not as a series of battles.

If one wants to beat the Australians at cricket one must do it the hard way. One must learn to "give a Roland for an Oliver" as the old English saying goes. That is, one must give as good as one takes.

The Indians will find this when they tour the Commonwealth at the end of the year. It is no use playing at cricket with Australians. You have got to play with the same deadly seriousness as they do and outwit them at their own game. They play to win. Unless you do likewise, you are lost. Herein lies the reason why the English team won only one first class game and did not succeed in a single Test.

MAN OF THE TEAM

As for the Englishmen, wicket-keeper Godfrey Evans was unquestionably the man of the team and greatly impressed Australians, who put him in the same class as George Duckworth. He may also become handy with the bat as his fellow Sherry-Bucks is definitely turning out for India as he always did. It was thought he might be playing for Great Britain.

Portugal is strong enough com-

paratively. Only I fear their team spirit may not be enough to drag the Indians down. If the Portuguese team loses it will not be the fault of Manager Figueiredo and Captain Tony Alves, who are both tried leaders.

The probable starting ten for Portugal are:

L. Tavares, pitcher; Spotty Pereira, catcher; Wilfred Lawrence, first base; Arturo Ozorio, second base; Leo Vieira, third base; Tony Alves, short stop; Gerry Gosano, left field; Chuck Quinn, centre field; Jack Brown, right field; Billy Soares, rover.

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How Much Do You Know?

(Answers on Page 10)

1. Name the author of the poem, "La Ballade Dame Sans Merci."
2. Where and what is the Levant?
3. For what is Molokai, one of the Hawaiian islands, widely known?
4. Just what is UNESCO?
5. In which climate do people tend to live longer—in the tropics or in temperate and moderately cold climates?
6. Name the last person to have the title of Prince of Wales.
7. What is a hetch?
8. Locate Lido (not that at Repulse Bay, but in the Mediterranean).
9. What was the nationality of Rembrandt, the artist.
10. Name the six platinum metals.
11. Who were probably the first to use "gas" for lighting?
12. In what country did wall paper originate?

Scotland Yard Hunt For Master Minds

Scotland Yard has planned and will now launch an all-out drive to net the unknown master minds behind the fur and gem gangs and the dog track racketeers. Detectives have been helped by "trade" experts in devising this scheme to get beyond the underlings to the leaders of the two rings.

An investigator who has spent 14 months trying to get prima facie evidence against three London dealers suspected of having organised the highly-skilled, well-financed fur and gem ring said:

"Not one of the leaders has yet been in danger of arrest. But we now hope to get somewhere."

A London assessor said: "It's no case has there been any 'squealing' which would give us a guide to the real identity of the top men."

"Behind the thieves is a brilliantly-conceived self-contained unit for breaking down jewels and re-modelling furs."

Behind that unit are two "master fences" who dispose of the property to Continental and South American buyers.

They are believed to be "respectable" London dealers. They in turn are answerable to the man who

BIG MONEY BACKING

Backed by big money—much of it from the fat wads of black market operators who want to "invest" it—carefully organised gangs are fast monopolising all the markets which may greyhound racing.

Intimidation, particularly at the smaller tracks, is the gang's chief weapon. Complaints from bookmakers show that "protection money" is the main source of revenue, but "fixed" betting coup—sometimes aided by dog doping—are practised by the more powerful.

Mr Peggy Worth, chief of the special security police formed by the track management, has been carrying out a series of investigations in co-operation with his old colleagues at Scotland Yard.

Many of the people investigators would like to know have no police records. Some are deserters from the Services.

BRITAIN TACKLES THE LONG-TERM COAL PROBLEM

By
Dr George Gretton

ONE day, atomic energy may drive trains and ships; heat water and otherwise free mankind from drudgery. But the immediate vast work of reconstruction which faces our generation depends on more traditional forms of energy.

In Britain, as in other highly developed industrial countries, the decisive factor is coal. So, the greatest urgency attaches to the raising of production in the mines—not only simply by a sudden transient spurt in output, but by a long-term programme to provide all the necessary coal over a period of many years.

There is no lack of coal in Britain as far ahead as we are likely to need coal. Actually, Britain has fuller scientific information on her coal reserves than any other country. For the last 30 years a research organisation known as the National Coal Survey has been systematically examining coal reserves in Britain, the physical and chemical properties of the coal in the ground and the character of the coal produced. The National Coal Survey has already published more than 50 reports containing precise factual information about Britain's coal, mined and unmined.

20,000,000,000 Tons

Last summer it published a closely calculated estimate of the more readily available reserves of coal in Britain. The estimate—a very conservative one—showed that these amounted to about 20,000,000,000 tons. That is to say, at the rate of production scheduled for 1947, we could go on mining coal for 100 years without any danger of the reserves falling. This figure refers not to total estimated reserves, but to the more readily available reserves, which are probably no more than half of the total. Assuming an increase of production of about 250,000,000 tons a year, there would still be no need to worry about coal resources pattering out for at least 80 years. That is as far ahead as anyone needs to look.

At the same time, however, research is not being neglected; the distinguished geologist, J. K. Allen, has just been appointed Director of Planning (Geology) by the National Coal Board.

The problem as far as Britain is concerned is not the coal itself, but how to get it mined in sufficient quantities. This is partly a question of equipment and organisation, and

men working all day amidst coal dust. Although great progress has been made in recent years in combating industrial diseases to which miners are exposed, many pits are still not equipped with means of preventing silicosis.

The decision has now been made to give full priority to miners' equipment and housing, and amenities are being provided with all speed. Priority is also being given to providing certain consumer goods which have previously been lacking in the mining areas. This will not only give the miner parity with the more fortunate classes of industrial workers, it will give him the preferential treatment to which it is felt his arduous work entitles him. At the same time, the five-day week is to be introduced, and the miners have guaranteed that this will not involve any fall in output.

The British miners' terms of employment have therefore become among the best of their kind in the world. This approach to the human side of the coal problem embodies the new British social policy to which the Prime Minister, Mr Attlee, referred recently when he said: "The plan must be run on lines which accord with our democratic plans and ideas." Because of this, I think it will succeed.

1947 Target

The target for 1947 is 200,000,000 tons, and the miners have pledged themselves to reach it. But, at least until the mechanisation project has gone a good deal further, this involves a considerable strain on the present mining labour force.

And in my case, it is insufficient to meet the full demands of Britain's industry. In the present period of intensive reconstruction, so we come back to the human problem.

We need more miners, and we need to encourage the existing labour force to work intensively. One way of doing it would be by force—by conscripting men into the mines. Such a policy would certainly not work in Britain. Although the miners with their families represent no more than five percent of the population, any attempt to conscript them on totalitarian lines would meet with condemnation and open resistance from the huge majority of the British people.

This is what he had to say at the Schoolboys' Own Exhibition, Westminster, on:

MONEY! "A lot of people pretend that they do not care about it. Believe me, that is 'all my eye.' Money is very important, and the older you get the more important it becomes."

"Money does not make you happy. We are always being told. But it enables you to be miserable in comfort."

BETTER CONDITIONS

WHAT IS BEING DONE IS—BY BRITISH STANDARDS AT LEAST—the only practicable course. The miners have long complained, with justice, that their conditions of work are unsatisfactory in view of the exacting and important nature of their occupation. It is not that their wages are low, but they lack many of the amenities of civilised life.

Mining communities tend to be isolated. Their housing conditions date from an age when the social well-being of workers was considered for less than today. Less up-to-date mines do not as yet provide amenities such as pithead baths, which are utterly essential, by contemporary British standards, for

the feeding of herself and the babies."

HAPPINESS: "The happiest class of men are gardeners. They really like mucking about in the garden, and in these days they get paid highly for it."

"Others are chaps who know about machines, motor-bikes and motor-cars, aeroplanes and that sort of thing."

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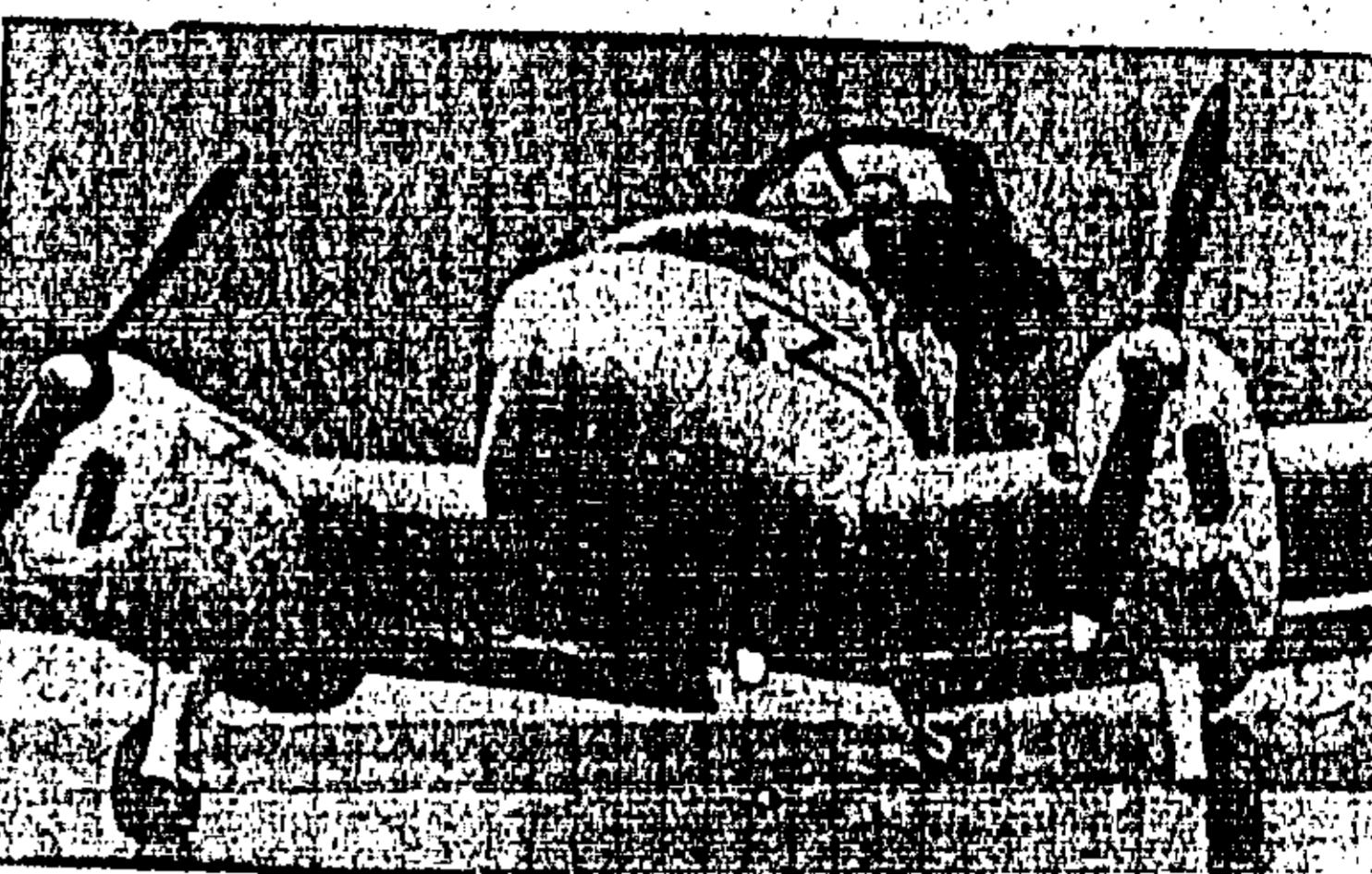
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NEW ATTEMPT ON EVEREST



A solo flight—the first since the war to Australia—started when Group Captain A. F. Bandit left Lympne in a Miles Gemini aircraft for Wondai, a small place near Brisbane. He expected to make the journey of 13,000 miles in 13 days. Group Captain Bandit, who is attached to the Miles aircraft factory at Reading, is on 65 days' leave, and is spending it flying to his own country. He is not attempting to break any records and will make frequent stops. When in India, he hopes to be able to obtain permission for a Mount Everest Expedition. Group Captain Bandit will organise the expedition with Captain Ross, a 22-year-old doctor in the R.A.M.C. and the British party will be the best equipped expedition ever organised for attempt on Mount Everest. This picture shows Group Captain Bandit with his plane before leaving on the first stage of his flight.

STORM OVER FRANCO SHIP IN BRITAIN

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**Every Other Ship Is
Built By Britain**

British shipyard workers are breaking output and speed records to replace the 19,000,000 tons of British and Allied shipping destroyed in the war.

Not only are yards rebuilding the British Merchant Navy—they are coping with an ever-increasing flood of orders from overseas owners.

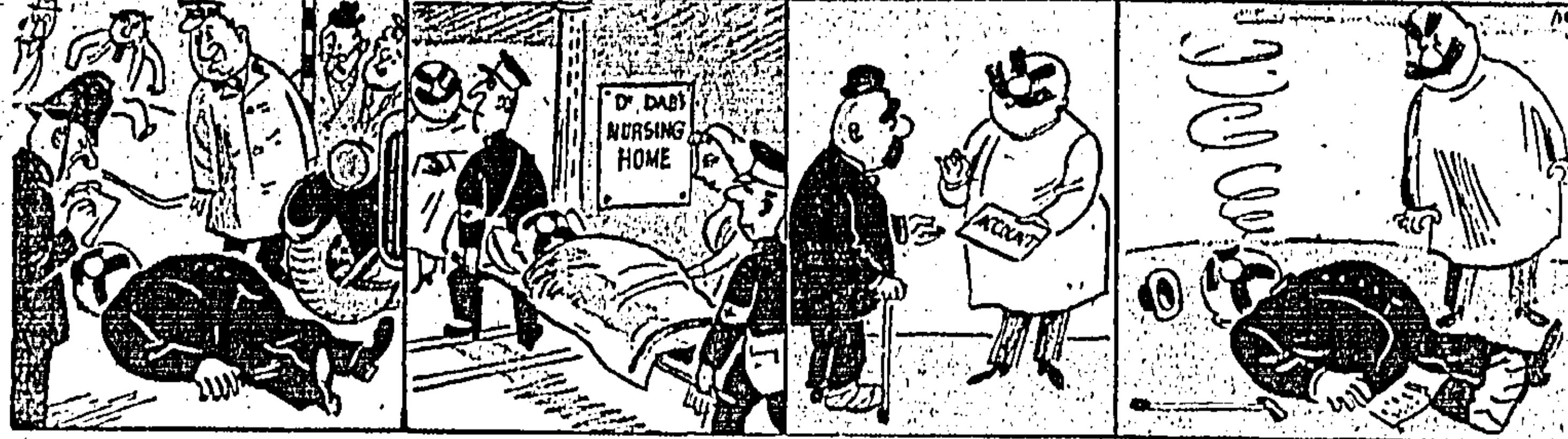
Ships on British stocks at the end of December, according to Lloyd's Register figures, represented 1,037,632 gross tons, 52.7 per cent. of the world total and our highest figure since 1922.

America, Britain's nearest rival, is building only a little over one-sixth of the tonnage figure achieved by fewer than 250,000 British workers.

Not only are more ships being built in British yards, but they are being launched at a faster rate than anywhere else in the world.

After Britain, leading countries are: America, 320,763 tons; Sweden, 249,205 tons; France, 100,458 tons; and Holland, 106,355 tons.

DAB & FLOUNDER by WALTER



CHILDREN'S

COLUMN

By Uncle Peter

SPRING is here, and we shall have a long spell of sunny days. There will be every opportunity for you to observe how plants, birds, animals and insects behave during the change of season. Everything comes to life again.

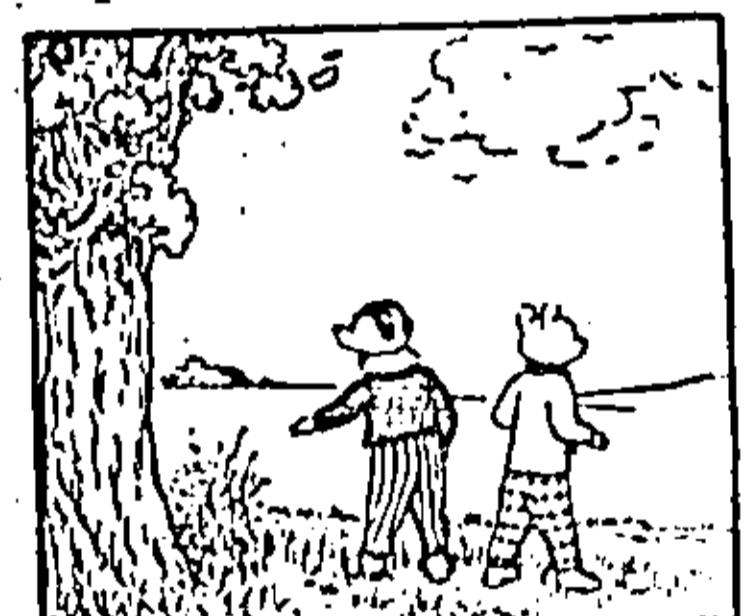
Very interesting to observe is how the green leaves make most of every ray of sunshine. Have you ever noticed how leaves spread themselves out so that they do not overshadow their neighbours too much, and so keep them from doing their work?

Look at the Ivy, or a Virginia Creeper, growing on a wall, and you will see how carefully the leaves arrange themselves so that each one may have its fair share of light and air.

Note, too, the different shapes of the leaves. Pick a leaf from every tree and plant you see when you are out for a walk in the country, and you will not find two exactly alike. There are large leaves and small leaves; some are round, others oval, heart-shaped, star-shaped, or cut out into all sort of patterns. Some are like broad ribands, others long, narrow and pointed like swords or fine and sharp as needles. Some leaves have smooth edges, others are scalloped, jagged or cut into fingers or fringes—there really seems no end to all the different kinds of leaves we find growing on the plants in the fields and lanes and woodlands.

Now it is not just by chance that leaves are so different one from another. Every plant has leaves that, by their shape, can best catch the sun's rays.

Rupert & the New Pal—16



Creeping with every care, Rupert and Bill edge their way up the slope until they reach the brook. Then they pass gingerly through the bushes at the top. "Can you see anything of the black cat?" breathes Bill. "Nothing at all," whispers Rupert. "He must have run ahead." Rising cautiously to their feet they gaze around, but there is no sign of the cat anywhere. "Well, this is the limit!" says Rupert. "We were only a few feet behind him—and now he's vanished."

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**HOW MUCH DO
YOU KNOW**

ANSWERS

(Questions on Page 9)

1. John Keats.
2. A general name for the regions adjoining the shore of the east Mediterranean i.e. the coasts of Egypt, Palestine, Syria, Anatolia and Greece.

3. For its leper colony.

4. United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

5. In temperate and moderately cold climates.

6. The Duke of Windsor, who required the title when his father King George V ascended the throne.

7. One of a chain of islands which separate the lagoon of Venice, Italy, and the Adriatic.

8. Dutch.

10. Platinum, palladium, iridium, rhodium, ruthenium and osmium.

11. The Chinese, who piped natural gas in bamboo tubes from salt mines.

12. China.

NANCY All But the Ambulance

I'M GOIN'
SKIING OVER
ON DEAD
MANS HILL
TODAY.

BE CAREFUL
THAT'S A
DANGEROUS
SPORT.

I THINK I'LL
GO OVER AND
SEE HOW HE'S
MAKING OUT.

SLUGGO—WHAT
HAPPENED TO
YOU?

NOTHIN'.

BUT IF
ANYTHING
DOES,
I'M ALL
READY.

BY ERNIE BUSHMILLER

**Jests And
Jeers**

The wolf at the door has probably called to take the young lady out to dinner.

Some women like the man with a past, but the majority prefer the man with a present.

Drunkenness is passing out, says a doctor. So many a man has discovered.

"Have you run out of razor blades?"
"Why, yes, how did you know?"
"A little beard told me."

Many a girl has acquired first-hand knowledge in a second-hand car.

The most frequently defective part of a motor car is the nut that holds the wheel.

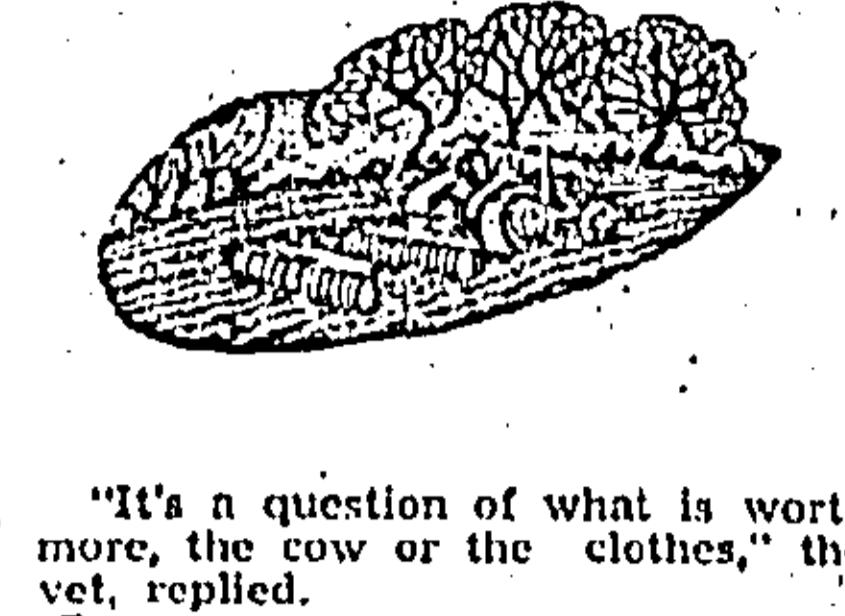
An RAF pilot, who made a forced landing in Belgium, was rescued by a nun, who took him to a convent. Here he was handed a nun's outfit and was counseled: "Lie low. Say nothing. Be as inconspicuous as possible. Sooner or later we will find a way to get you back to England."

For eight weeks the pilot spoke to no one. He shaved eight times a day, and wore everything a model convent habitue should be.

One evening, however, he spied a beautiful sister alone in the cloister, and with an irresistible impulse swept her into his arms, only to receive a terrific sock on the jaw.

"Old yer 'orses can't yet," said a masculine voice. "I've been 'ere myself since Dunkirk."

*The cow ate
the
clothes
line*



"It's a question of what is worth more, the cow or the clothes," the vet replied.

We worked it out. The cow was worth £20 and would probably die anyhow; the clothes were worth at least, plus the coupons, and the vet promised us they would be all right if we decided to operate immediately.

I followed him into the shop. The cow was despatched to her ancestors, and out of her came forth the entire clothes-line, with even the pegs still attached.

The moral of which story is somewhat obscure. Perhaps it is a note to the Minister on his false economy on feeding stuffs.

—“JAN.”

**Miss Caldwell moves the
furniture
—regardless of expense**

by GEORGE
MALCOLM
THOMSON

MISS TAYLOR CALDWELL'S novel, *This Side of Innocence* (Collins, 10s. 6d.) may not break, but it rumbles most confoundedly—as if someone were moving heavy Victorian furniture in a large house. A house, let us say, that was indeed no laughing matter. Apparently, my wife had done the washing up in the morning and hung it out to dry. During the late afternoon she had gone to fetch clothes in—to find the entire line missing. Three of my shirts, two pairs of my pyjamas, my socks and my vests, not to mention most of my wife's underclothes, and the precious stockings.

They couldn't have blown away.

There was no wind. It was plainly a case for the police. So without waiting for tea, I went up to phone the constable, who said he would get on his bike immediately and come and inspect the orchard, though what good that would do I couldn't understand.

And, in fact, Miss Caldwell has furnished her premises with pieces of immense weight and solidity from the emporium of Victorian fiction: palinstocking, novelists. Her story may rumble, but it moves. But it rumbles most confoundedly—as if someone were moving heavy Victorian furniture in a large house.

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These developments occur when Phillip, the hunchback son of Alfred, by his first marriage, meets and falls in love with Mary, the daughter of Amalie and Jerome, Alfred to the lovely, low-born adventuress, Amalie Maxwell.

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But Miss Caldwell is a competent

palinstocking, novelist. Her story may rumble, but it moves. It may be muscle-bound, but it has power. The characters may be introduced as conventional types, they may experience none but the most stately, even if deplorable, of emotions, they may talk in a high-toned manner that is daunting when it is not downright funny—but they develop. They take possession of their own lives.

JEROME did not prevent Alfred's

marriage to Amalie, that brazenly

beautiful creature. He tried

hard,

first

with the aid

and

then

against

the opposition

of his

sister

Dorothea,

grimmett

of thwarted

spinster.

But Amalie had her way.

And Jerome, to everybody's surprise,

went up his racketty life in New York and went into the family bank at Riverend. For he had fallen madly in love with his cousin's wife. What is more, he won her. Riverend was rent by scandal—by divorce (surely one of the speediest on record), and a new marriage.

But, although this may be regarded

as the climax of the novel it is by no means its conclusion. For Miss Caldwell, there are intricacies in her people, hardly noticed in the earlier stages of the story, which must still be worked out.

At that moment the sergeant arrived. Nor would he believe it unless I showed him. "It's a vet, you need," he advised and promised to phone for us. Laughing his sides up the old fellow dragged himself up the hill pushing his bike.

My wife finished milking the offending cow. I stood by holding it off her, in case it should

get

out.

She

was

very

angry.

She

NEWS IN



CHAPLAIN-IN-CHIEF of the Royal Air Force, Air Vice Marshal the Rev. J. A. Jagoe (right) being welcomed to Hongkong on his arrival recently by Group Captain E. A. Jones, Station Commander, Kaitak. The Air Vice Marshal is on a tour of Far East RAF controls.



THE WEDDING took place recently at St Margaret's Church between Miss Cliga Helladore Chaves and Mr Cecil John Keen. The newlyweds and their attendants after the ceremony.

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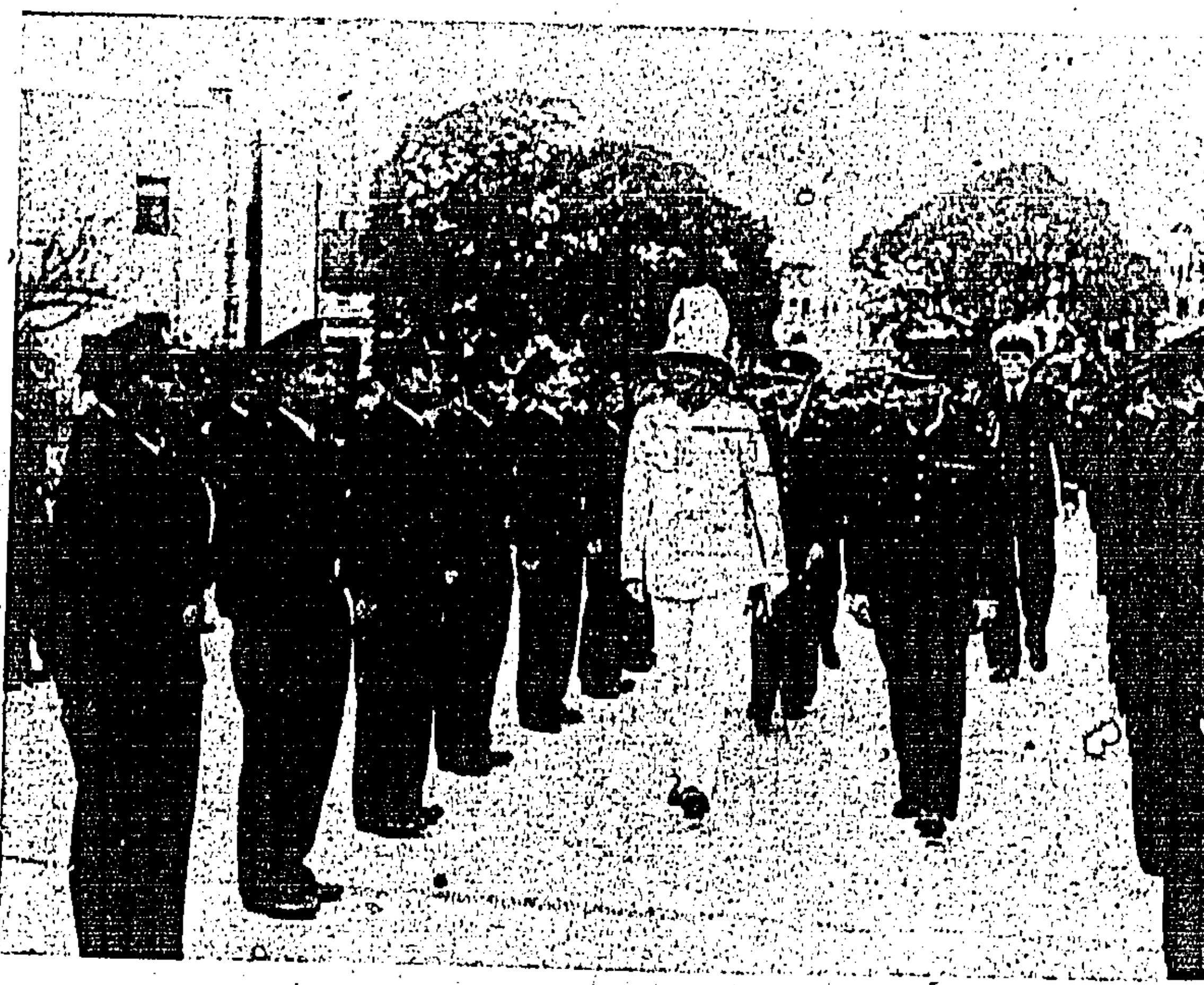
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MIDWEEK CATHEDRAL WEDDING—One of the most charming brides of the season, Miss Heather Doro Gillespie, was married at St John's Cathedral on Wednesday to Capt Anthony Warwick Cory Pearn, Royal Marines. The bride is the older daughter of the Hon Mr and Mrs R. D. Gillespie. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



POLICE RESERVE INSPECTION—HE the Governor, Sir Mark Young, inspected the newly-revived Hongkong Police Reserve on Tuesday. Mr Tso Tsun-on, Senior Superintendent (Reserve) at right. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



MARRIED 26 YEARS
—Mr and Mrs L. R. Brown, who have been married 26 years, gave a party at the Gloucester Hotel last week to celebrate the event. Here they are pictured with some of their children. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



BADMINTON champions of the Club de Recreio photographed after the recent prize distribution and dance. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

PICTURES



PRESSMAN MARRIED—Mr Lai Yeo-wing, popular Chinese sports reporter, and his bride, Miss Pang Sui Ying. Their wedding took place recently at the Gloucester Hotel. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



SUNDAY LAUNCHING—A few of those who attended last Sunday's launching of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd's new 36-foot cabin cruiser, "Stork." Right to left:—Mr C. E. Terry, manager of the Company, Mr A. N. MacKenzie, Mrs Terry and Mr Chan Tit-wo.

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Young Girl's Suicide

Paris, Mar. 28.
The body of a 15-year-old school girl has been recovered from the River Seine in the Paris suburbs. A note left on the river bank said: "I am going to drown myself because I have committed a grave fault."

The headmistress of the girl's school said that the girl had hidden the quarterly report containing marks for her class and was afraid to own up when an inquiry was made.—Reuter.

Mountbatten Summons Conference

New Delhi, Mar. 28.
Rear-Admiral Lord Mountbatten, Viceroy of India, today invited the governors of all provinces of British India to a conference here in the middle of April.

The Viceroy a few days ago invited Gandhi and Mohammed Ali Jinnah, President of the Moslem League, to informal talks with him. Jinnah has accepted the invitation and is expected here early in April. It is not yet known whether Gandhi is accepting.

Gandhi told an audience at a village in Bihar Province last night that the Viceroy's first speech to the Viceroy—in which he referred to Britain leaving India—was a "deliberate, unconditional and unequivocal pronouncement."

Referring to the "madness that had swept over the land," Gandhi said that he hoped the people would have "wisdom enough not to tempt the Viceroy to eat his own words." —Reuter.

U.N. Assembly And Palestine

Lake Success, N.Y., Mar. 28.
The State Department has informed the British Government that it sees no objection to holding special sessions of the United Nations General Assembly to discuss Palestine, if it was authoritatively learned here tonight.

The note reported to have been delivered last night to the British Embassy has not yet been officially published, but it is understood that it contains United States approval.

After consultation with London, the British delegate to the United Nations, Sir Alexander Cadogan, will, it is presumed, make a formal request to the United Nations for holding a special Assembly.

In the required majority of two-thirds of the United Nations, agree, a special session could be held about the end of April.—Reuter.

ITALIANS RIOT

Bari, Italy, Mar. 28.
Unemployed Italians rioted at Gioia Del Colle, 60 miles south of Bari, set fire to three buildings and proclaimed a general strike to-day.

Early reports said some persons were killed and many injured.

The rioters cut communications and blocked roads around Gioia Del Colle.

Special squads of police were dispatched in armoured cars from Bari. The Chamber of Labour Office, also headquarters of the Farmers' Organisation and office of the Communist Party, were set on fire. The trouble stemmed from an order to the farmers either to give crops to the unemployed or face confiscation of their land.—United Press.

Plea For Imperial Preference

London, Mar. 28.
The Council of British Empire Producers to-day sent to the President of the Board of Trade a resolution calling on the United Kingdom and Dominion governments not to sacrifice "proved benefit of Empire preference in exchange for benefits which may well prove transitory, if not illusory."

The political pressure exerted by American manufacturers and producers, the resolution alleged, could at anytime undermine the "adequate concessions" asked from other countries in exchange for modifications in empire preferences.—Reuter.

Italy And Ethiopia

Rome, Mar. 28.
A Foreign Office spokesman said to-day that Italy hoped soon to resume diplomatic and consular relations with Ethiopia, especially for the benefit of 7,000 Italians still living in the latter country.—United Press.

Holiday For Pope

Vatican City, Mar. 28.
An authoritative Vatican source said to-day that Pope Pius may leave to-morrow for a 15-day rest at his summer residence of Castel Gandolfo, 30 kilometres south of Rome.

The source said the Pontiff was expected to depart late to-morrow afternoon "if the weather continues to be as excellent as it was to-day." —United Press.

MARSHALL NOT SEEKING TALK WITH STALIN

Moscow, Mar. 28.
General Marshall is playing "hard to get" with Generalissimo Stalin. At the end of the third week of his stay in Moscow, the U.S. Secretary of State has made no overtures for a talk with Stalin, and his advisors insist that he has no plans now to take such initiative.

Likewise, he has held no private talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov, although he has conferred outside the Council several times with Mr Ernest Bevin and M. Georges Bidault.

MERCHANT MARINE OF THE AIR

Washington, Mar. 28.
Chairman Charles Wolverton of the House of Representatives Inter-State and Foreign Commerce Committee to-day introduced a bill to create a "merchant marine of the air."

He said "government-owned foreign airlines, monopolies and cartels show real strength on trans-oceanic air routes" and that his plan "seeks to put United States strength behind American aviation."

He said hearings would begin about April 21.

Senator Wallace White introduced a similar measure in the Senate.

Senator White said: "We already face competition of government-controlled and low wage and cost airline monopolies from such countries as England, France, the Netherlands and the Scandinavian countries.

The time cannot be far off when Russia will bring to the international air transport field her special form of government domination."—United Press.

Would Bayonet Helpless Baby

Singapore, Mar. 28.
Lieutenant-General Numata, Chief of Staff to the late Count Teruchi, continuing his evidence at the afternoon session of the Chinese massacre trial today, gave further details of the Japanese Army code.

He stated that "a poor nation" like Japan was dependent on the implicit obedience of her soldiers for success in war.

He quoted "suicide planes, human torpedoes and human bullets" as working examples of the Japanese code of absolute obedience.

In answer to a question by the prosecution, Numata said that if he was ordered by a superior officer to bayonet a helpless baby, he would do so without hesitation.—Reuter.

DIPLOMAT TO WED IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Mar. 28.
The engagement and forthcoming marriage on April 12 between Mr Rafael H. Fernandez, Argentine Charge d'Affaires and Consul-General at Shanghai, and Miss Maria Lydia Milanowska, daughter of Count and Countess Milanowska of Augustow, Poland, was announced to-day.

The engagement was announced at a cocktail party in Mr Fernandez's residence.

The marriage will be solemnised by Bishop Paul Yu-ping.—United Press.

Spanish Tension

London, Mar. 28.
The Times' Madrid correspondent, commenting on recent terrorist incidents in Spain, said to-day: "The frequency of such incidents and the increase of guerrilla activity throughout the country are tending to create a general state of tension which reminds many observers of the months of brewing trouble before the civil war."—Associated Press.

More U.S. Holidays Likely

Washington, Mar. 28.

A House of Representatives judicial subcommittee is considering proposals to create four more legal holidays including August 14—the anniversary of Japan's unconditional surrender.—Associated Press.

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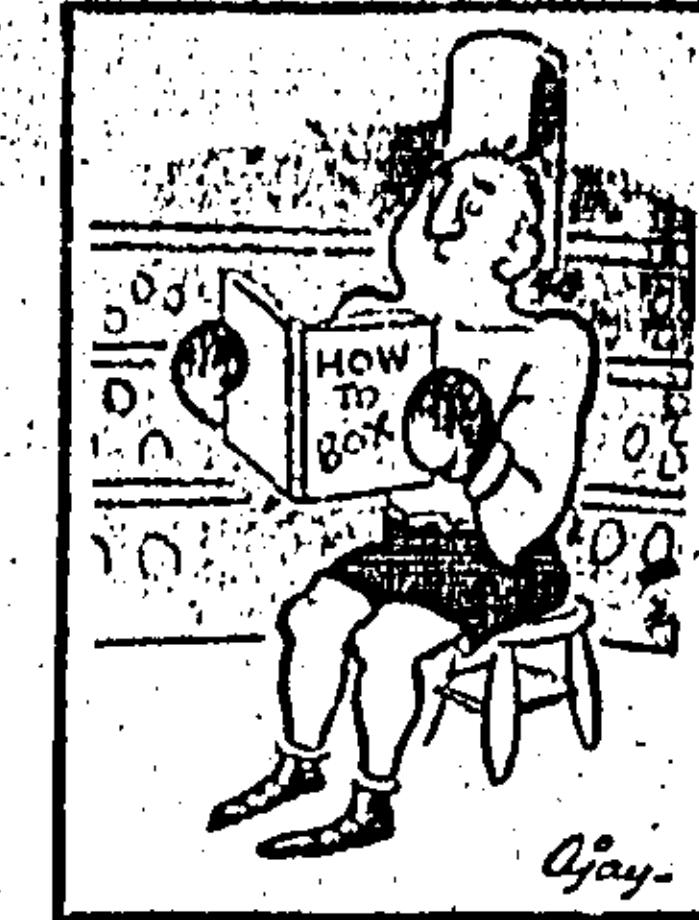
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Argument In Balkans Commission

Sofia, Mar. 27 (delayed).

The United States and Soviet delegations on the United Nations Commission investigating the Balkans squared off in a heated three-hour debate for the second straight day today over the American proposal that the United States proposal for a four-power disarmament treaty for Germany be carried the matter up with their top man.

Former Secretary of State Byrnes contended that Stalin had agreed in principle to such a treaty although Molotov always rejected it subsequently. In the Council itself Marshall continues his calm but firm yet cautious attitude, which leaves most delegates, including Americans, who have been responsible for the Greek situation."

An argument broke out when Mr Elbridge requested the Bulgarian and Yugoslav liaison officers to make a specific answer to the Greek charges that their governments were supporting a movement in Greece in an attempt to acquire a province for themselves.—United Press.

JAP. GOVT. TOLD DUTIES

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integrated series of economic and financial controls "which the current situation demands."

ACTION CALLED FOR

"These economic objectives are national in scope, transcending the special interests of any group and, therefore, should be non-partisan," Gen. MacArthur said. "Unless determined measures are undertaken at once by the Japanese Government, the inflationary condition of the economy, together with its attendant maldistribution of food and other necessities, will become increasingly serious, industrial recovery will be retarded and objectives toward which the Japanese people have made such encouraging start will be endangered."

Gen. MacArthur said the nation's welfare was up to Japan's own efforts. He added: "Aid to Japan cannot be expected upon a scale sufficiently great to overcome maldistribution and inflation within Japan."

He said outside assistance is contingent upon full utilisation of home resources, which is entirely a responsibility of the Japanese Government.

NEW IDEAS

Premier Yoshida told Gen. MacArthur the Japanese Government has some "new ideas" and will tackle the following points with "firm resolve":

(1) Will use force as well as persuasion to insure proper food collections from farmers and will see to the efficiency of the control of distribution.

(2) Will try to produce 30,000,000 tons of coal during the coming fiscal year (this would be more than 50 per cent increase over present production). Plans to completely revise the system for the utilization of basic materials on a strict priority basis.

(3) Will continue efforts to check advance in commodity prices.

(4) Will aid industries producing for exports.

(5) Will adhere to principles of sound finance and take positive measures to increase the people's savings.

(6) Will expand the Economic Stabilization Board.

"It is my earnest hope that you will recognise the effort the government is making. In various measures stated above in order to carry out its responsibilities indicated in your letter, and that you will continue the assistance, and advise you have been kind enough to give us," Yoshida concluded.—United Press.

PETITION FOR DOV GRUNER

Jerusalem, Mar. 28.

Tel-Aviv, the world's largest Jewish city, approved the filing of a petition in the Jerusalem High Court on behalf of Dov-Bolshevik Gruner, who was convicted and sentenced for anti-British violence in Palestine.

The new petition, which Mayor Israel Rokach of Tel-Aviv agreed to sign, will attack the legality of the military court procedure under which Gruner was sentenced.—Associated Press.

Deputies Turn Italian Assembly Into Bedlam

Rome, Mar. 28.
Screaming, cursing deputies of the Constituent Assembly staged a near brawl today when Rightist and Leftist deputies rose to their feet, hurling invective at each other while two angry members almost came to blows.

The Assembly Vice-President, Giovanni Conti (Republican), lost control of the stormy meeting when Rightist and Leftist deputies rose to their feet, shouting wildly against the speaker. Order was restored after several minutes, but when Covelli engaged in a heated exchange with Scelsa, charging that the police had failed to take steps to avoid political incidents, all the deputies left their seats to turn the meeting into turmoil.

Communist Raffaele Pastore rushed at Covelli, but was seized and held by Independent Luigi Filippo Bettarini, while Covelli was persuaded to return to his side of the Chamber.

Scelsa provoked another outburst when he closed the debate by saying: "Provocations do not come only from the elements of the Left. Quinquaginta demonstrators have taken place in Sicily to cry of 'hip, hip, alala!'"

Covelli charged that the Sicilian events showed "preparation for the progress of the Inter-Asian Conference which is convened in New Delhi at the call of Jawaharlal Nehru All-India Congress leader in the Interim Government of India. Attending this meeting are representatives of over one-half of the world's people, largely brown and black. This half of the world's population is increasing by millions every year. Probably not even Mr Nehru has hopes for any concrete accomplishments by the conference. But if it gives the representatives a sense of geographical unity, it may have large potentialities."

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INTER-ASIAN CONFERENCE IMPORTANCE

New York, Mar. 28.
The New York Times, in an editorial, to-day commented on the potentialities of the Inter-Asian Conference at present being held in New Delhi, and sounded warning that it would do well for the Western world to watch its progress.

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CUP SEMI-FINALS

London, Mar. 28.
The F. A. Cup semi-finals between Newcastle and Charlton at Leeds, and Liverpool and Burnley at Blackburn, hold pride of place in tomorrow's football programme.

In each case a First Division side opposes a Second League rival, while Newcastle and Burnley have shown themselves to be such formidable sides that an all Second Division final for the first time in history is a possibility.—Reuter.

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